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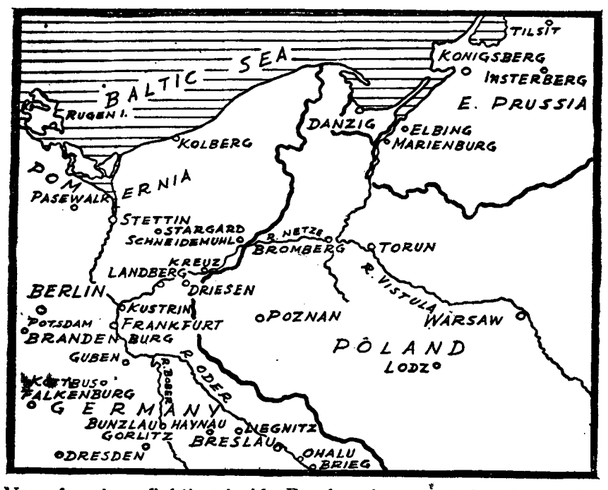

Very ferocious fighting inside Breslau is reported, also widespread air battles are raging on many key sectors of the Eastern Front.

Reds Massing For Decisive Battles

Capture Many Localities In E. Prussia

From Reuter's Special Correspondent, Moscow, Sunday:—While army groups under the command of Marshal Zhukov and Marshal Koniev are massing for decisive battles inside Germany, wide-spread air battles are raging on many key sectors of the eastern front.

Considerable Luftwaffe reinforcements have arrived from the depth of Germany as well as from the west front and clashes are particularly fierce over Berlin. Crack German pilots have appeared in that sector.

Land battles are now concentrated on reducing the strongholds surrounded in the rear. Fighting inside Breslau and at similar points in East Prussia, however, equals all records for ferocity.—Reuter.

NAZI ATTACKS REPELLED

MOSCOW, Feb. 25: Saturday night's Soviet 'communique' states: "During February 24 on Samland peninsula, north-west of Koenigsberg, our troops repelled several enemy attacks carried out with tanks and infantry.

At the same time, south-west of Koenigsberg, our troops waged battles for the distruction of the East Prussian enemy grouping and captured several localities.

DARDANELLES OPENED

CAIRO, Feb. 25: The first Allied convoy passed through the Dardanelles some weeks ago, it can now be revealed. A part of the convoy carried British equipment and transport for the Yalta Conference.—Reuter.

Jap Attacks At Myinmu Beaten Off

..KANDY, Feb. 25: Today's S. E. A. C. communique says:

Fourteenth Army: Further attacks on the bridgehead established by the Twentieth Indian Division, 33rd Corps on the south bank of the Irrawaddy opposite Myinmu have been beaten off. During the night of February 23/24 enemy guns shelled our main positions, and in the early hours of yesterday an infantry attack was launched.

In the Singhu bridgehead area, north of Mandalay, Nineteenth Indian Division troops continue to make progress.

Fifteenth Indian Corps. At the Ru-Ywa bridgehead an enemy night attack was repulsed.

Northern Combat Area Command. Enemy resistance in the Namtu sector has ceased. Troops of the Chinese First Army drove off a Japanese counter-attack and continued their advance southward on the Burma Road.

In the Myitson sector troops of the British 36th Division repulsed a counter attack.—A. P.

STOP PRESS

AMERICANS REACH RODINGEN

With U. S. Ninth Army, Feb. 25: American infantry have reached Rodingen, five miles north-east of Juelich.—Reuter.

BRIDGEHEADS LINKED UP

From Reuter's special correspondent at 21st Army Group Headquarters (Sunday):

All bridgeheads over the Roer have now been linked up and American tanks and guns are crossing the river in increasing numbers. Steinstrass, 5½ miles east of Juelich on the main road to Cologne, has been captured.

66 ACRES OF TOKYO DEVASTATED

GUAM, Feb. 25.

Reconnaissance photos show that 2,900,000 square feet (more than 66 acres) of congested industrial district of Tokyo are completely burned out. Today's Superfortresses raid on Tokyo was directed against the rich industrial centre. It was the first time this target has been attacked by Superforts in daylight.—Reuter.

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Extremist Fires Five Shots

Parliament Suspends Discussion: Egypt Declares War On Axis

CAIRO, Feb. 25:

The Egyptian Prime Minister Ahmed Maher was shot dead in the Egyptian Parliament. Ahmed Maher was shot while walking from the Chamber of Deputies to the Senate on Saturday.

The Prime Minister's assassin confessed that he committed the crime because of his extremist feelings.

Other men who were sitting with the assassin were also arrested.

The Premier's funeral takes place today afternoon.

EGYPT TO SIGN UNITED NATIONS' DECLARATION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25: It is authoritatively stated that Egypt will shortly sign the United Nations' Declaration in Washington.—Reuter.

N.-W. F. P. POLITICS

Meher Chand Khanna Takes Gandhiji's Letter To Khan Sahib

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI Feb. 23.

The Frontier Leader Rai Bahadur Meharchand Khanna, who is here on his way back from Wardha informed me that in consultation with his leader Dr. Khan Sahib he has called a meeting of his party for March 7 at Peshawar to take stock of the position in the light of Gandhiji's letter to Dr. Khan Sahib and reach a decision.

The issue before the Opposition is that it is in a majority and the minority Ministry now in office does not enjoy its confidence. The Opposition has been planning to oust the League Ministry from office and has sought the advice of Gandhiji on this subject. The Frontier leaders who had several talks with Gandhiji at Sewagram are carrying a letter to Dr. Khan Sahib from Gandhiji.

The general impression from the talks with the Frontier leaders is that Gandhiji has left the whole question to the discretion of Dr. Khan Sahib.

Another complication has been created by the Desai-Liaqat talks. Quiting of the League Ministry from office, it is pointed out here, would not be conducive to good feeling between the Congress and League.

Frontier Opposition on the other hand holds that their quarrel was not with he League but with the Governor who had kept their members in detention and had "created an artificial majority.

There is another aspect of the question also. The non-League Frontier Muslims feel aggrieved that Mr. Bhulabhai Desai reached an agreement with the League over their head and without taking them into confidence. Frontier is the one province in which Congress is the strongest and is in a majority amongst Mussalmans. One non-Leaguer told me "we should be told where we stand. If Congress is reaching agreement with the League by throwing us overboard they must tell us also. We will join the League and capture it as far as the Frontier is converned."

It will be with this background that the Frontier Opposition will hold its meeting on March 7.

"AVOIDING DANGERS OF PEACE"

LONDON, Feb. 25.

Turkey's entry the war has evoked surprisingly little or no response, writes the United Press political correspondent. Only two London papers, the "Times" from the sober and the "Mail" from the popular section of the press, commented on the event; others merely published the news.

A Shrewd Muslim observer said this morning Turkey averted the dangers of war but she could not think of being able to avert the dangers of peace, and there lies the reason behind her latest decision.—United Press.

JACOBABAD, Feb. 24: It is reported that a gang of eight armed dacoits raided the village of Kandhkot and looted ornaments and cash valued at Rs. 14,000 at the point of revolver.—A. P.

HOW PREMIER MET TRAGIC END

Just as Ahmed Maher was leaving the Chamber and passing through the buffet, the Press photographer asked him to pose. He did so and at that moment the assassin stepped up behind the photographer and fired five shots at the Premier.

Ahmed Maher fell, rose again momentarily, and made an effort to grapple with the murderer. He then collapsed and died.

At the same moment the bystanders seized the assassin.

Two prominent surgeons were by the Premier's side in a few minutes, but nothing could be done.

The assassination took place as Ahmed Maher was carrying the declaration of war, bearing the signature of King Farouk from the Chamber of Deputies to the Senate.

POPULAR PREMIER

Ahmed Maher, the news of whose assassination was learned in Parliament House with horror, was very popular with all sections of the Egyptian community. He was a gifted shrewd politician heading the Coalition Government.

His task had lately become more difficult as a result of the opposition by Wafdists and Nationalists to the course which he advocated in his last tragic speech in the Chamber to-night.

Strong forces of police and troops were marched to the Parliament buildings after the shooting. Large crowds quickly gathered round the gates but they were quiet and seemed thunderstruck by the news.

Hassanein Pasha, the Chief of the Royal Cabinet, arrived shortly afterwards in one of the crimson Royal cars.

Only a week ago the dead Premier had discussed questions of vital importance to Egypt with the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Eden and Sir Alexander Cadogan.

King On Scene

Immediately after hearing the news King Farouk and Lord Killearn visited Parliament, where they expressed condolences with high Egyptian officials in the loss to the country.

The death has put an end to debates in the special sessions of the Senate and Chamber. It will be necessary to form a new Government and then the matter will be resubmitted.

Reuter was the only foreign agency or newspaper represented at last night's debate.

Parliament Suspends Discussion

Parliament suspended its discussions immediately after the shooting. The news of the assassination spread through Cairo like wildfire and extra police were immediately called out to deal with any possible disturbances. None however is yet reported.

The Speaker in the Chamber of Deputies announced that all in the Parliamentary building would leave through one exit only and all would be subject to the most stringent search and enquiry into their credentials.

The Prime Ministe was hit by three bullets in the chest.

Extremist Did It

According to present investigations it is learned that there is no connection between fact that two Palestinian Jews are under a death sentence for the murder of Lord Moyne and to-night's assassination of Egypt's Prime Minister. Ahmed Maher had received threats against carrying out sentences on the two Palestinians but there is no reason to connect these with his death.

It was officially stated: "The first information shows that Maher Pasha's assassin was interned for some time under Nahas Pasha's administration and was considered pro-Axis. He sent Iraq's Rashid Ali (now in Germany) congratulations for his declaration of war against the Allies.

It is understood, however, that the crime is unconnected in any way with the Egyptian declarations of war."

EGYPT'S ACTING PREMIER

CAIRO, Feb. 25: King Farouk yesterday asked the Egyptian Foreign Minister, Nokrashy Pasha to act as Prime Minister. No change is expected in the Government.

Nokrashy Pasha was Maher Pasha's righthand man. He is deputy leader of the Saadist party.

EGYPT'S NEW PREMIER

CAIRO (Sunday): The appointment of Nokrashy Pasha as Prime Minister and Military Governor of Egypt has been confirmed by a Royal rescript. The King has asked Nokrashy Pasha to form a new Government. The King has conferred posthumously the grand cordon of the order of Mohamed Ali on Ahmed Maher Pasha.—Reuter.

Funeral Procession

A long funeral procession—one of the longest ever seen in Egypt—started from Ahmed Maher's house. The body in a coffin draped with the Egyptian Flag was borne on a gun-carriage. Behind it slowly walked a large concourse of mourners including the new Prime Minister, members of his Government, important Egyptian officials and representatives of all diplomatic missions in Egypt. Great crowds in the city's centre and surrounding buildings watched the arrival of the cortege at El Kikhia Mosque where the service was held. The body was then taken for burial at El Ghaffir Mosque at Abbassia.

In the funeral procession which took an hour to pass were contingents of British, South African, Indian and American soldiers and high ranking Allied officers.

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CAIRO, Feb. 25: The Egyptian police are making widespread investigations into the membership of the Young Egypt Party to which Mahmoud El Issawi, 26-year-old lawyer assassin of the Premier, reputedly belongs. It is understood that a number of arrests have been made.

The Egyptian police are now reported to have made over 50 arrests following an all-night roundup. Two of those detained were found near the place of the assassination.

EGYPT DECLARES WAR ON AXIS

Egypt has declared war against the Axis.

The Egyptian Parliament declared a defensive war after hearing the statement by Ahmed Maher.

WAFDISTS OPPOSE

The Wafdist Party under the Presidency of Nahas Pasha, at a meeting to-day had unanimously decided to oppose Egypt's declaration of war. The decision was communicated to King Farouk, Ahmed Maher and Britain, the United States and Russia.

The Wafdists whose opposition may have important political repercussions in Egypt contended that there was no point in declaring war when the country was no longer threatened and the end of European hostilities might come at any time. The Nationalist Party also opposed Egypt's declaration of war.

It is authoritatively learned that Saudi Arabia recently indicated that she intends following Egypt's example.

SECOND PREMIER TO BE ASSASSINATED

LONDON, Feb. 25: Ahmed Maher is the second Egyptian Prime Minister to be assissinated in recent years. In 1910 Boutros Pasha, whose appointment as Prime Minister roused hostility among Moslems as he was a Coptic Christian, was assassinated by a young nationalist fanatic two days after he had introduced a measure into the Assembly for the extension of the Suez Canal Company's concession. The measure had been rejected by Extreme Nationalists.

ARABIA TO FOLLOW EGYPT'S LEAD

CAIRO, Feb. 23.

Saudi Arabia will follow Egypt's lead on foreign policy, this is one of the outstanding results of the recent Middle East talks and a promise, to this effect is understood to have been given by Ibn Saud.

Meanwhile, all Egypt is awaiting impatiently the outcome of tomorrow's secret sessions of the Chambers of Senate, the results of which it is supposed will affect Egypt's position at the Peace Conference.—Reuter.

"Academic War" By Egypt

From Reuter's Special Correspondent—Cairo (Saturday):

Egypt's declaration of war in the opinion of Middle East experts, is almost exclusively an "academic one". She has declared a defensive and offensive war. In other words, she will not wage an active war against the Axis. Her views all along being that the "sacrifices" she has made in helping to drive the Italo-German forces from Africa entitle her to be regarded as all but a belligerent nation with a right to direct representation in the conferences to settle the pattern of the post-war world.—Reuter.

Americans Nearing Cologne Plain

FIRST ARMY MEN TAKE DUEREN: ROER BRIDGEHEAD DEEPENED

MONTGOMERY'S H. Q., Feb. 25.

First Army troops have captured the town of Dueren and are now thrusting along the Dueren-Cologne highway. The defence system on the Roer river the last line before Cologne has been broken in several places and the American First and Ninth Army troops today are pouring through into the Cologne plain. The Ninth Army have deepened their bridgehead across the Roer to within 5½ miles, bringing them within 18 miles of Cologne.

The new Allied offensive in the west towards Cologne is going ahead of schedule, according to a West Front summing up. Juelich, the central bastion guarding the road to Cologne 24 miles to the east, is now in Allied hands. Allied troops are also in the outskirts of Stetternich two miles further east and nearly a dozen small towns and villages have been captured.

To the north Canadian troops continue to meet heavy opposition in their drive between the Rhine and the Maas. British troops fought their way against tough German resistance from Goch to Weeze and are midway bewteen the two towns.

To the south General Patton's Third Army is now in Germany on a 65 mile front.

Industries In Paper Quotas

PATNA, Feb. 24.

Mr. M. P. Lepper, Paper Controller Government of India, told the Bihar Chamber of Commerce at a discussion yesterday that printing presses had been allowed forty per cent of their consumption in 1943, insurance companies and banks one hundred per cent and industrial concerns fifty per cent. He added that if the industries found the allotted quota did not meet their requirements they could represent their matter to the Government of India in the Department of Civil Supplies.

Mr. Lepper agreed to a suggestion made by the Committee that there should be a Provincial Advisory Committee to advise the Provincial Paper Controller and it was decided to form such a committee of five members to be nominated by the Chamber.—A. P.

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MR. BRELVI ORDERED COMPLETE REST

BOMBAY, Sunday.

Mr. S. A. Brelvi, President, A.-I. N. E. C. who had a heart-attack at the civic reception given to him at Calcutta on the 29th January, has, since his return to Bombay on the 19th instant, been confined to bed. He has been ordered complete rest by Dr. Gilder and for some time it is not expected that he will resume work.

ALLIED WARSHIPS ATTACK

Targets On Italian Frontier Bombarded

A. H. Q. Mediterranean, Feb. 25.

Today the Allied communique stated:

NAVY: In support of the army, a combined force of British, United States and French warships carried out heavy bombardment of targets on the Franco-Italian frontier from 19th to 22nd February.

LAND: Fifteenth Army group South-west of Bagnacavallo troops of the Eighth Army have cleared up several pockets of enemy resistance on the east Bank of the River Senio.

AIR: The MAAF continued their attacks yesterday on communications in Austria and Northern Italy.

Munich Raided

U. S. Strategic Forces H. Q.: France Feb. 25: More than 1150 Liberators and Flying Fortresses of the U. S. Eighth Air Force today attacked railyards at Munich, Aschaffenburg and Ulm, and airfields at Giebelstadt and Schwabisch-hall. The bombers were escorted by about 500 fighters.

More than 500 Flying Fortresses bombed Munich alone during today's continued American attempts to paralyse the German railway system.

Germans Muting: Pitched Battles With Gestapo

LONDON, Feb. 24: Reports of mutinous conduct by German troops in Denmark continue to arrive from Stockholm.

Pitched battles between German soldiers ordered home and SS troops and Gestapo units are said to be taking place.

It was recently reported that General Hermann von Hannecken, German Commander-in-Chief in Denmark, had been dismissed following the mutiny, at Jutland, of Wehrmacht men who had been shipped from Norway.—Globe.

POONA, Feb. 25.—The District Magistrate of Poona has banned the holding of the fair in the village of Dehu near Poona, on account of the prevalence of plague in that village. The fair which is usually attended by large number of persons was to be held from 27th Feb. to 5th March.

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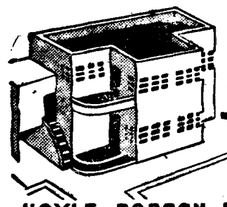

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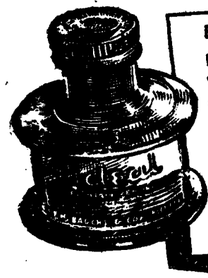

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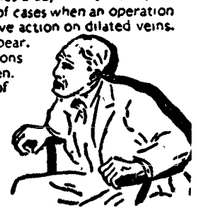

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Mahasabha Out To Fight Pakistan

Moonje Urges Sapru Committee Not To Conciliate Or Placate Anybody

JALPAIGURI, Feb. 24

Dr. B. S. Moonje, presiding over the Bengal Provincial Hindu Sabha Conference here today, said that the Raj they wished to establish in India would be a democratic Raj on the basis of one man, one vote.

"It will be the Democratic Raj of the entire people of India, where every national of India will be a free and unfettered citizen, where there will be no favouritism or animosity for one religion or for one community or the other; but all will have the best thing of the world on the basis of merit and intelligence ascertained openly" he added.

Outlining the Mahasabha policy, Dr. Moonje said "in contrast with the politics of Mahatma Gandhi, the Hindu Mahasabha believes that politics is the essence of national selfishness of the community which has been ruling and still aspires to rule and since, in this world, national selfishness of various nations, are often apt to come into conflict, non-violence cannot be the means for attaining independence or Swaraj.

"Hindu Mahasabha, therefore, stands for organised and disciplined violence on the most up-to-date western scientific lines. It further believes that independence can be won by the Hindus alone and unaided, though it will always try to prevail upon the Mussalmans to join hands with them in this common cause for the whole of India, leaving to them, however, the choice either to remain neutral or to join hands with the British, as they may prefer to do."

Declaring that the Hindu Mahasabha would fight tooth and nail against Pakistan, Dr. Moonje asserted that "of all the communities in India, Major or Minor, it is the Muslims alone who are intransigent and quarrelling though of all the minority communities, the Depressed Classes alone could be said to have sufficient cause to feel aggrieved and to show fight, if they were so inclined.

The Mahasabha leader said that the Hindus had no need to conciliate anybody except the so-called untouchables socially and religiously. It was the duty of the Mussalmans to conciliate and work for promoting brotherly feelings with the Hindus.

"It is they who have to make amends for all the harm and mental agony caused by them to the Hindus.

He suggested that the work of the Conciliation Committee should be not to conciliate or placate anybody or party, but to formulate certain broad principles, conceived in justice and fairness to all, on which the future constitution could be built up.

SMUGGLERS' RUSE FOILED

6,000lbs. Of Tea Attached

(From Our Correspondent.)

BANDRA, Feb. 23.

In constant lookout for smugglers of tea, Sub-Inspector D. D. Raje, of the Food Control Branch, Bombay Suburban District, and his men sat for hours patiently in the jungle of Chembur, shivering in cold. As it neared midnight, they suddenly saw the dim glare of the headlamps of the expected lorry all ready to start, loaded with 60 sacks. The Sub-Inspector and his men made a sudden dart and surrounded the lorry unaware. They arrested Mohanlal Mangaldal and Prabhudas Chaggandal, who it is alleged, are partners in this transaction, and Bansraj Manak, the driver of the lorry and his cleaner. The sacks contained tea, each sack holding 75 packets of 1 lb. This tea, it is alleged was being transported by lorry to Mahul, a small petrol pumping station, 3 miles from Chembur, for shipment by steamers that brought the petrol. The Sub-Inspector and his men then proceeded to Mahul, where they raided the house of Rajaram Natoo and found a further lot of 20 sacks and they put Natoo under arrest.

The entire stock of tea attached by the police was 6,000 lbs and the cost of the same is estimated to be Rs. 8,000. This tea is of a brand known as 'Kaiseri Blend" and was purchased by the accused from Bhat Bazar, it is alleged, at Rs. 1/2 per lb. when the actual rate is As. 8 per lb. It was being smuggled by steamers that carry petrol on their return trip and taken to places like Iraq, etc. and sold at Rs. 4 per lb. All the accused are to be tried for attempt to export tea by sea in contravention of Government Order and for hoarding under section 5 of H.P.P.O. of 1943. It is alleged that this smuggling of tea has been going on for the past four months.

Alleged Sale Above Control Rates

(From Our Correspondent.)

BANDRA, Feb 23.

The van of the Bombay Suburban District Police needed an hydraulic brake hose pipe, as the one on the van was worn out. The driver of the van was sent to Bombay to purchase one and made inquiries at the Contenental Auto Stores, near Opera House, Bombay. It is alleged that the driver was told that the above spare part was not available, but subsequently he was shown one and a price of Rs. 25 was demanded, when the control rate was Rs. 6. The driver returned back and informed the District Superintendent of Police, his boss, of the blackmarket price demanded.

The driver was then sent back with marked coins and Sub-Inspector D. D. Raje, of the Food Control Branch, B.S.D., with the assistance of Sub-Inspector Talwar of the C.I.D. Crime Branch, Bombay, went and stayed near the stores in hiding. The driver went to the Continental Auto Stores and purchased two hose pipes and as he stepped out, the two Sub-Inspectors rushed in and raided the stores. They found marked coins and put the proprietor and the manager under arrest. A case is being made against the accused for contravening the Spare Parts Controllers Order.

DEMANDS FROM GOVT. WILL FALL OFF IN PEACE TIME

Businessmen Must Have Plans For Expansion Of Business, Says Mitter

CALCUTTA, Feb. 23

Mr. J. K. Mitter, Sheriff of Calcutta, presiding over the 58th annual general meeting of the Bengal National Chamber of Commerce here to-day said that it was time that businessmen should evolve their own plans for the reorganisation and expansion of their respective lines of business.

"With the cessation of the war, the demand from Government will fall off, perhaps very suddenly, and industrialists will then have to readjust themselves to a peace-time economy and re-establish their contacts with their civilian customers.—A.P.

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Food Exports To Ceylon

Plea For Use Of Normal Trade Channels

The Committee of the Indian Merchanis' Chamber sent the following telegram to the Commerce Department of the Government of India on February regarding procurement, handling and despatch of supplies allowed to be exported to Ceylon:

The Committee of the Indian Merchanis' Chamber is given to understand that as a result of the recent visit of Sir Oliver Goonatilaka, the Ceylon Government propose establishing a supply centre in the country for canalising procurement handling and despatch of all supplies allowed to be exported from this country to meet the requirements of Ceylon. The Committee wishes to protest very strongly against any such move as the same would displace existing trade channels and result in injustice to established business interests. The Government of India have all along expressed their anxiety and assured commercial interests to preserve existing trade channels and the revised procedure if agreed to is not in keeping with such assurances. The Committee therefore requests Government to issue a full statement explaining the position and make it clear to the Ceylon authorities that such exports as may be allowed from this country will have to be secured and handled through ordinary channels of trade.

In this connection the Committee understands that Government have recently authorized the export of a large quantity of pulses and gram to Ceylon. 25 per cent of such exports was carried through the agents of the Ceylon Government. While the Committee is seriously concerned that when the internal supply position of food cannot be deemed to be completely satisfactory Government should at all have allowed these exports, they must at all events protest against any part of such exports as had been allowed being earmarked for direct handling by the representatives of the Ceylon Government themselves. The Committee earnestly requests the authorities to review their policy in this regard and to lay down that only such exports as are compatible with the internal supply position would be allowed and that all authorised exports would be through the normally functioning trade channels.

EXHIBITION OF WOMEN'S HANDIWORK

Rani Of Jasdan On Cultural Heritage Of India

Declaring open the exhibition of women's handi-work organised by the Bombay Provincial Women's Council at the Convocation Hall on Saturday evening the Rani Saheba of Jasdan praised the valuable work done by the Council in removing poverty and unemployment among the women by such exhibitions. She further stressed the desirability of using Indian materials as far as possible.

The exhibition is divided into several stalls containing hand-made articles of daily utility. It remains open till March 3.

Referring to women's activities the Rani Saheba expressed the belief that no country in the world could achieve progress, until its women were educated and took their rightful place in their homes and country. India, she said, had a vast cultural heritage, and their aim should not be a complete break with the past, but a harmonious synthesis of the old and the new. Therein, lay their salvation and progress.

Mrs. J. R. Doctor welcomed the Rani Saheba and the guests.

Indian Technicians For U. K. And U. S. A.

BOMBAY, Feb. 23.

Inquiries made in Bombay industrial circles regarding the technical training scheme for sending Indian technicians abroad show that the Government of India have received encouraging replies both from United Kingdom and the United States of America to preliminary inquiries which were made regarding the training of higher technical personnel in those countries. The United Kingdom authorities desire that the first batch of trainees should reach the United Kingdom for training in June 1945. The United States of America authorities wish the trainees to reach there in January 1946, but an inquiry is being made if individual candidates cannot be admitted earlier.

It has been ascertained that the approximate living cost per annum of each trainee sent to the United States of America will be about 1,000 dollars. This does not include institutional fee where payable. Training in the United States of America will, generally speaking, be for one year in a college and one year with an industrial concern. These periods will of course vary according to the background and experience of each trainee.

The Government of India have decided to send the first batch of candidates to the United Kingdom so as to reach there not later than June 1945. Recommendations for training in the United Kingdom should therefore reach the Government Department before March 10, 1945. Recommendations received after this date will be kept for later consideration, when it is decided to send further batches. Recommendations for training in the United States of America should also reach the department before the end of Feb. 1945, so that it may be possible to complete the negotiations, now in progress with the authorities in that country.—A. P.

Draft Hindu Code

A statement has been issued to the press by Seth Bhagwandas M. Ramji, Vice-President of the Bombay Provincial Varnashram Swarajya Sangh who has been in Delhi on a deputation from the Sangh consisting of Prof. J. B. Durkal, Mr J. M. Kamdar and himself, strongly opposing the Draft Hindu Code published by the Hindu Law Committee and urging Government to drop the attempt to codify Hindu Law.

40-Crore Development Plan For C. P. And Berar

NAGPUR, Feb. 23: A tentative 40-crore post-war development plan for the Central Provinces and Berar for the year 1947/1952 has been prepared by the C. P. Government.

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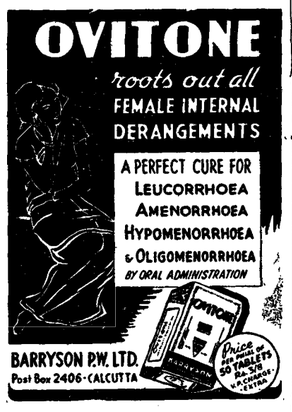

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Hightide 1-03, 13 00
Lowtide: 7.15, 18.66

Tardeo Balkanji Bari: Annual concert and gathering 5 p.m. at Sunderabai Hall, Mr. S. K. Patil presiding.

To-day's Engagements

BAHAI'S: The celebration of the 10th annual world Bahai Youth Symposium at Bahai Hall, (Krishna Building) Bori Bunder today at 6-30 p.m. when lectures will be delivered in English and Persian.

GITA KENDRA (MATUNGA): Discourse on "Gita" by Acharya T. A. Venkateswara Dikshitar today and tomorrow at 9 p.m. at Asthika Samaj Hall, Matunga.

PROF. SAHNI'S LECTURE: Today (Monday) at 6-15 p.m. at Mazdaznan Temple Hall, Opp. Churchgate Station. At Evening Prof. Ruchi Ram Sahni of Lahore will speak on "Science and Art as Agents of Civilization" Dr. Trivikram will speak on "Art".

CONGRESS WORKERS' STUDY CLASS
At the Congress Workers' Study Class organised by the Tardeo and Khetwadi Taluka Congress Samitees, Sjt. Appasaheb Patwardhan will continue his talk on "Congress Workers and Non-Violence" to-day (Monday) at 7-30 p.m. (N.S.T.)

HOLI GATHERING: Under the auspices of the Madhusudan Natya Mandal Holi Celebrations will be held today (Monday) at 10 p.m. (S. T.) at Brahamana's Wadi, Opp. Novelty Cinema, Grant Road, when Shri Nagindas T. Master will preside and Messrs. S. K. Patil, P. R. Lela and Dr. T. N. Naravane will address.

BOMBAY COMMITTEE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF INDIA: Public meeting today (Monday) at 6-30 p.m. at the Marwadi Vidyalaya Hall, Girgaon, to celebrate 27th birth day anniversary of the Red Army. Com. G. Adhikari to preside and Coms B. T. Ranadive, N. K. Krishnan and Mohan Kumarmangalam, to speak.

BOMBAY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: Annual general meeting to be held in the Chamber's Rooms, Top Floor Mackinnon Mackenzie and Co.'s Bldg., Ballard Estate, Bombay, at 12 noon on Wednesday, the 14th instant.

MASS MEETING AT PAREL: About 3 to 4 thousand people assembled at a mass meeting at Pimpal Maidan, Fergusson Road, under the auspices of the Bombay Committee of the Communist Party of India and other organisations to and celebrate the 27th anniversary of the Red Army. Com. D. S. Vaidya was in the chair. Com. Oak moved the resolution and Coms. B. T. Randive and Mahmad Shahid supported it.

SRI KRISHNA CHAITANYA ANNIVERSARY: The 458th Advent Anniversary of Sri Krishna Chaitanya Mahaprabhu will be celebrated at Sri Gaudiya Math (Cullandas Building, Gowalia Tank Road) today with Sanctan from 6-30 to 7-15 pm., lecture in English from 7-15 to 8-15 p.m., Artrikam from 8-15 to 8-30 p.m. lecture in Hindi from 8-30 to 9-30 p.m. and "Prasad" at 9-30 p.m.

ARYA SAMAJ BHOIWADA: The fourth anniversary of the Arya Samaj Bhoiwada, (Parel) will be celebrated on 26th, 27th, 28th inst., and 1st March at Gokhale Park (Kamgar Maidan) opposite to K. E. M. Hospital, Parel. Eurdite scholars from all over the country will address on the various subjects regarding religion and society.

Nagar Keertan Procession will start from the Samaj Mandir at 7 p.m. today (Monday) and after passing through main roads of the locality will end in the Samaj Mandir. On 27th, 28th, inst., and 1st March, daily from 9-30 a.m. to 12 a.m. Yagya and lectures. Questions regarding religion from any individual of any community will be answered. From 5-30 p.m. to 10-30 p.m. Lectures and Bhajans with music.

RECEPTION TO COMMUNIST LEADERS: Glowing tributes are paid to Comrades K. T. Sule and Donde the Communist leaders of tramwaymen by the B. E. T Co.'s Kingsway Workshop workers for the selfless and arduous service done by them in the common cause of "BEST" tram and bus workers. The occasion was a meeting organised by the Kingsway workshop workers on 20th February on the terrace of Dalvi Building, Parel. Com. Abidally Jafferbhoy the president of BEST workers Union presided.

NON-STOP CYCLING RECORD: Mr. Ahmedkhan of Gulbarga has broken the non-stop cycling and dumbling world record of Mr. Mahomed Haji, the world cycle champion, and has established his own world record. Last week a non-stop cycling competition was held at Bombay, Y. M. M. A. Ground, since Wednesday morning upto Saturday evening. Mr. Ahmedkhan rode a cycle continuously for 78 hours 40 minute and swung a club of 6 lbs. for the first 30 hours on a running cycle. Mr. Ansarhusen of Aligarh who was competing him fell down after 67 hours 30 minutes.

FRENCH FILM IN BOMBAY: The Alliance Francaise held its preliminary social on Sunday evening at the Wadia Movietone when the French Film "Carne de Bal" was exhibited for the first time in Bombay. Mr. Kivibet, the president, welcoming the members and guests stated that this was the debut of the Association after the dark days of 1940 onwards. With the liberation of France, new activities would now be introduced including socials, lectures and a study circle. After the show Monsieur Berthelot the French Consul in Bombay, also said a few words of welcome and encouragement to the Society. About 50 members and guests witnessed the film, procured through the kindness of Mr. J. B. H. Wadia, the Vice-President of the Society.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

MONDAY, Feb. 26.
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244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—8-0 a.m. News (H). 8-15 News (E). 8-30 Mixed Melodies. 8-50 News (M). 9-0 News (G). 9-10 To-Morrow, 9-15 Sundrabhai Jadhav. 9-35 Pannalal Ghosh. 10-0 G. M. Durrani. 11-0 Saigirah Ka Jashn. 11-45 Gujarati Geet. 12-0 Laxmi Bai Kelkar. 12-45 p.m. News (M). 12-50 News (G). 12-55 News (H). 1-0 For Women. 1-30 News (E). 1-40 Lunch-Hour Music. 5-0 Sushila Tembe. 5-30 Kusum Shroff and Party. 5-45 Topical Talk or Feature. 5-55 Locals. 6-0 Monday at Six. 6-20 Tarana: AIR Artist. 6-30 News (E). 6-40 Ntws (H). 6-45 to 6-55 "Indian News Parade" Review in Hindustani by latest scoops 6_55iiiiiiic

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Congress Dal's Study Circles And Classes

Dr. T. R. Naravane, G.O.C. Congress Dal writes:—

The Congress Dal has decided to train a few officers in each of the 34 Talukas of the City. Study circles are being planned to train these officers in various subjects so that they will be efficient and capable enough to spread the Congress gospel to every nook and corner of the City. After getting the training, every officer is expected to impart training to Sainiks in the various aspects of volunteering besides general knowledge. Congress workers desiring to join these Officers' Training Classes and Study Circles are requested immediately to communicate with the G.O.C. in any of the Divisional Offices of the Dal.

The subjects studied in the study circles are divided under three groups. GROUP "A" deals with subjects such as the Congress History, the Constructive programme, etc. GROUP "B" deals with the management of public functions, crowd control, scouting, etc. GROUP "C" consists of subjects such as first aid and ambulance, A.R.P. Training, spinning, etc. Physical culture, gymnastics, cycling, swimming, etc., will form a quite separate group of practical training and it is being given daily at the various Dal Centres in the City. Many more centres will be started as soon as suitable places are available.

The following three study circles will be started on 3rd and 4th March respectively at the places and time given below. Those desiring to join should communicate at these addresses respectively:

1. "D" WARD. Heera House, 3rd floor, 381, Sandhurst Road, Bombay 4. Monday, the 4th March 3 p.m.
2. "F" Ward. Dr. Kulkarni's Place, Congress Dal Office, Abdul Kadar Building, No. 2, Vincent Road, Dadar. Saturday, the 3rd March, at 9 p.m.
3. "G" Ward. Congress Dal Central Office, 185 Shivaji Park, Lady Jamshedji Road, Bombay 28. Sunday, the 4th March, at 5 p.m.

Jyuthika Ray's Concert In Aid Of Bengal Club Library

In aid of the Bengal Club Library a recital of ten of Kumari Jyuthika Ray's Choicest Songs, including one in Bengali has been arranged at the Sundarbai Hall, Queen's Road on Saturday, 3rd March, at 6-15 p.m. She will be supported by some alluring dances of Kumari Nagarathna, Meera, Jayanti Sunanda and other talented pupils of Sukhendu Dutt of "Rupayatan." Tickets for Rs. 15, 12, 10, 7/8, 5 and 2/8 can be had at Bengal Waterproof Works, Ltd., 277, Hornby Road, Flora Fountain and Bengal Silk Stores, Kalbadevi Road, Opp. Khadi Bhandar.

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On return from leave, Mr. S M Ikram, I C S, to officiate as Collector of Sholapur, vice Mr J M Corin, I C S, transferred.

Mr J M Corin, I C S, on relief to be Collector of Poona vice Mr W G Hulland, I C S, proceeding on leave.

On return from leave, Mr W G Hulland, I C S, to officiate as Collector of Poona vice Mr J M Corin, I C S, transferred.

Mr J M Corin, I C S, on relief to be Collector of Sholapur, vice Mr S M Ikram, I C S, transferred.

Mr S M Ikram, I C S, on relief to officiate as Registrar of Co-operative Societies and Director of Rural Development, vice Mr P J Chinmulgund, I C S, reverting.

Killed In Car Accident

BOMBAY, Saturday.

Raghunath Mahadeo Desai (70), who was crossing the road between Marine Drive and Chaupatty was knocked down and killed by a military lorry which was being driven by civilian driver Shaikh Husein Gul Husein yesterday.

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MUSLIM LEAGUE: At a meeting of the Working Committee of the Bombay Provincial Muslim League held at the Office of the B. P. Muslim League Sub-Committees were appointed for the year 1944/45, the following 5 Sub-Committees were formed:
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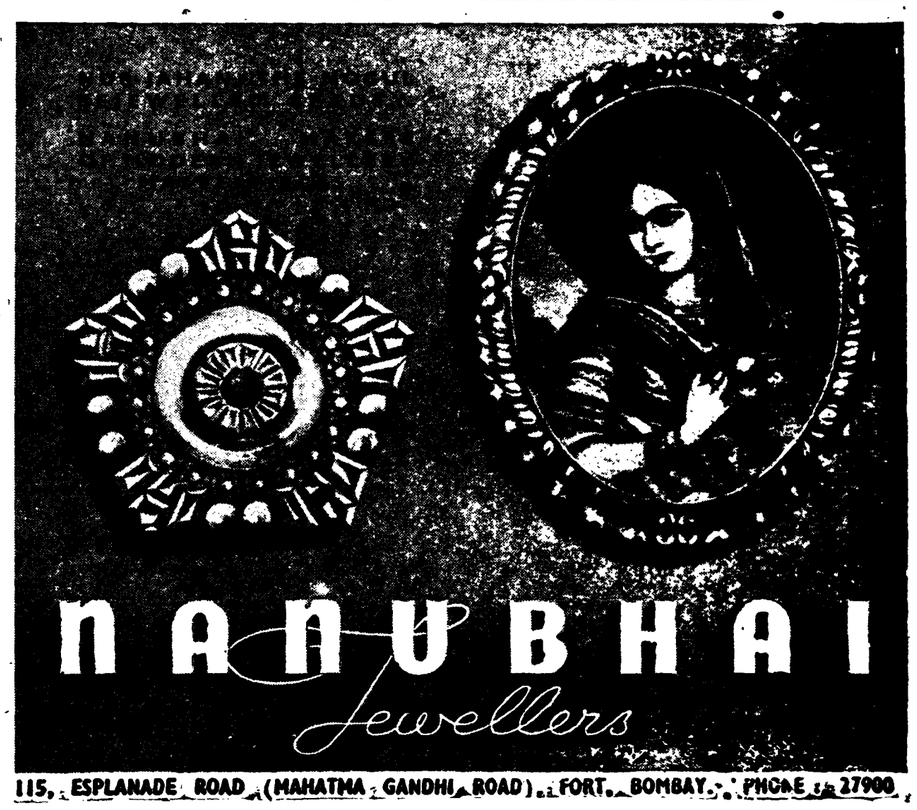

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POONA, Feb. 25.

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A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

The argument against the persecution of opinion does not depend upon what the excuse for persecution may be. The argument is that none of us know all the truth, that the discovery of truth is promoted by free discussion and rendered very difficult by suppression, and that, in the long run, human welfare is increased by the discovery of truth and hindered, by action based on error.

—Bertrand Russell.

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ANTI-INDIAN PROPAGANDA

Referring to Mrs. Vijayalaxmi Pandit's reported observation at a public meeting in America that "India is a vast concentration camp," Mr. Amery said in the Commons that it was "an obviously fantastic assertion." Those who know how since 1942 thousands of Indians have been imprisoned indefinitely without any trial, how thousands have suffered much worse under the present regime of repression will hardly regard Mrs. Pandit's remark as fantastic. And if it was an "obviously" fantastic remark the British Government would not have felt it necessary to spend lakhs of rupees over anti-Indian propaganda to counteract reports of repression in India. It is a familiar expression in India that the country itself is one vast prison. And that is what Mrs. Pandit means by her more striking phrase. To a self-righteous non-Indian sharing in the exploitation of India the phrase may appear fantastic. But if India had held Britain in subjection and treated it as she is treated now, Mr. Amery would certainly have been far more outspoken.

As regards propaganda in America against Mrs. Pandit and Indians in general Mr. Amery superfluously stated that both the Indian Agent-General and the British Information Services in Washington would take whatever steps they judge necessary. But these are not the only agencies engaged in the anti-Indian propaganda. As pointed out by Mr Chamanlal who recently returned from the United States, similar propaganda has been or is being carried on by other agencies also, such as the Foreign Publicity Office in Delhi, bodies like the Sarma Mission and the Information and Broadcasting Department of the Government of India. As for the nature of the propaganda carried on by these agencies, Mr. Chamanlal gives a few samples of information and comment which may not be the worst and which he says are published in America by Sir Girija Shanker Bajpai. The following are quoted from a publication of February 1943. "What does Gandhi want? That a Hindu rule should be established." "Gandhi prefers Japanese invasion to any settlement with the Muslims." A full exposure of this propaganda was made by Mr. Chamanlal in a series of articles in the "Hindusthan Times." But Sir Sultan Ahmed stated in the Central Assembly that 90 per cent. of the contents of the articles was false. Mr. Chamanlal, however, contends that 60 or 70 per cent of his material "is nothing but a reproduction from the materials released by the British Information Office and the Indian Agent-General and Mr. Raman." We trust Mr. Chamanlal will publish in pamphlet form a full report of anti-Indian propaganda by the British in America. It will then be easier to counteract that false propaganda.

Mr. Chamanlal says there is no use getting alarmed over the anti-Indian propaganda in America "since the Americans do not attach any more importance to it" and that the heart of America is 100 per cent. in favour of India's aspirations for freedom." India is cerainly not alarmed about British propaganda but she wants to expose all falsehoods about herself, by whomsoever perpetrated. Truth may be suppressed for a time by the Censors but it cannot be suppressed long. Any prolonged attempt to suppress it cannot but recoil on the very persons making it. Americans will not fail to value disinterested views on India by men like Louis Fischer or Pearl Buck. In any case falsehoods about India should not go unchallenged.

Urdu Conference

In his message to the Urdu Conference held in the city during the week-end Gandhiji rightly stated: "I do not believe in supporting Hindi or Urdu only. I wish to see both prospering." This is in accordance with the principle that all Indian languages should prosper and that the special development of Hindustani as desired by Congress and Gandhiji should not be allowed to prejudice the development of the Indian languages. So far as Hindi and Urdu are concerned their development is indispensable for the growth of Hindustani. The organisers of the Urdu Conference are doubtless inspired by the laudable desire to serve Urdu in every possible way. But we believe there is little chance of the Bombay Government accepting the resolution of the Conference urging it to establish an Urdu University in Bombay. The present University and the new contemplated ones are regional in character and not on a language basis. Nor is there any reason why any of these Universities should neglect the claims of Urdu or Hindi or any of the languages of the province. It will be best to start Academies to popularise a working knowledge of both Hindi and Urdu throughout the province and also to develop Hindi and Urdu literatures. These institutions should, of course, be aided both by the Government and the University.

Frankly Speaking

Egyptian Tragedy

The news of the assassination of the Egyptian Premier, Ahmad Maher Pasha, must come as a shock to every well-wisher of Egypt. Although a seceder from the Wafd he yet was a follower of that great leader of the people of Egypt, Saad Zaghlul. Ahmad Maher was a patriot who deserved well of his people. It is a real tragedy that he has fallen to an assassin's bullet. Nothing definite is yet known about the man who killed the Premier. But whoever he is, he has rendered no service to Egypt. And even apart from the intrinsic worth of Ahmad Maher Pasha, murder cannot be an effective solution of any problem nor can it remove any political grievance. We are, of course, assuming that the young man is an Egyptian and suffered in an acute form from some kind of political obsession.

The Wise Course

The assassination was particularly unfortunate because of its timing. We are, however, glad to note that, according to later messages from Cairo, the crime had nothing to do with Egypt's declaration of war on the Axis. It is a pity that, the Big Three now that victory is assured, should have decided that the services already rendered and still being rendered in the war against the Axis, did not entitle the countries of the Middle East to participation in the San Francisco Conference and that they had to win the privilege by actual declaration of war. These countries, thanks to their pro Allied policy prevented a great catastrophe and helped materially in changing the war situation. But since the Big Three decided otherwise in their victory inspired wisdom the Middle East countries have adopted the wise course in declaring war on the Axis. The San Francisco Conference is of vital importance to their future and they must be there to try to safeguard their interests. This is what has led Turkey and Egypt as also the Levant to accede to the Big Three demand. We note that the Wafdists and Nationalists have opposed Egypt's declaration of war. Unless they have any seriously reasonable ground for such an attitude, and which has not been reported, this having regard to the actual position since the very beginning of the war is like straining at a gnat and that too to the prejudice of Egypt's interests at San Francisco.

Eisenhower's Hint

The offensive which Field Marshal Montgomery's troops, who include the American Ninth Army, have launched in the northern sector is making steady progress. And General Eisenhower has permitted himself to hope that given the present conditions and no more than reasonable weather, he will destroy the German troops west of the Rhine. This appears at first as an essentially limited objective. But once Germans to the west of the Rhine are liquidated and the entire Eisenhower Front springs, as we expect, into offensive action, a big breek through into Central Germany, say from the northern sector, can justifiably be looked forword to. And this sooner than looks likely. We regard as significant Eisenhower's statement that Germany will be defeated "When Allied Armies meet Russian armies in the centre of Germany." Any interpretation that the Russian armies would stop in the centre of Germany and wait there for the Allied armies would be absurd. General Eisenhower's statement, therefore, means that the two armies, will reach the 'rendezvous' simultaneously.

Grotesque Claim

"My sense of duty and work prevents me from leaving headquarters even for a moment," says Hitler in a message to his old comrades in Munich. This is a poor excuse which can deceive no one except blind Nazis. Herr Hitler has brought his people and his country to the verge of dissester. He who always showed himself up to them as a conqueror has not the face to appear before them at any function. But even more ridiculous than his excuse for observing 'Purdah' is the Fuehrer's effort to eulogise National Socialism. The man seems to have lost all sense of reality and proportion in comparing 1945 and the German people of today favourably with 1920 and the situation obtaining then. In 1920 Germany was a defeated country but little damaged. She suffered but enjoyed conditions which helped her to recover. In 1945 Germany is a devastated country and the defeat that is imminent will be infinitely worse, politically, militarily and materially, than any of Hitler's predecessors doomed her to.

BOMBAY CITY ADULT EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Hon. Mr. Mangaldas, Vice-President of the Bombay City Adult Education Committee, has issued the following appeal:—

The public is aware that the Bombay City Adult Education Committee which is constituted by Government has been carrying on the work of spreading literacy among the adult population of the City for over five years and has made nearly 75,000 adults literate of whom 15,000 are women. This progress, though satisfactory in view of the limited resources at the disposal of the Committee, touches only the fringe of the huge problem viz: complete wiping out of illiteracy from this great city. If we proceed at the present rate it will take 40 to 50 years to achieve our above object. We cannot afford to wait for such a long time in a world which is daily narrowing in space and marching fast ahead in point of time.

If we want to achieve our object viz: to make 7 to 8 lacs of adults literate, in a measurable and reasonable time, say in about 8 years, we have to increase our efforts four to five times the present ones and this can only be done if Government, the Bombay Municipality, the Bombay Port Trust, the employers of labour, big or small, and the rich public-spirited citizens wholeheartedly cooperate with the Committee in its efforts. This co-operation may be of the following nature:—

1. Funds.
2. Workers.
3. Facilities.

1. It is estimated that four to five lacs of rupees are annually required to carry on the Campaign on the basis mentioned above. Of this the Bombay Government should contribute Rs. 1,50,000, the Bombay Municipality Rs. 50,000, the Bombay Port Trust Rs. 25,000, the Private Trusts Rs. 25,000 and the remaining about Rs. 2,50,000 should come from the employers, the rich philanthropists and the general public.

Bombay has allowed no deserving cause to fail for want of money and it will be admitted that no cause is more deserving than the spread of education among the illiterates. I have already addressed the Bombay Government, the Bombay Municipality and the Bombay Port Trust in the matter and appeal, through the columns of the press, to the employers of labour, private associations and the rich and public spirited men and women to give this year and continue to give in future as liberal a contribution as they can until the problem is solved.

2. The Campaign needs a large army of teachers, organisers and supervisors. Our Colleges and Secondary Schools can supply a large number of workers. This will provide a good training ground for Social service for these young boys and girls who are to be the future leaders of the country. The several associations which are working for rendering social service of various kinds can also supply some workers from their members. The teachers working in Primary and Secondary Schools can also render valuable help in this matter. I appeal to them that they should come forward to play their part in this nation building work.

3. The work will be facilitated by the following things, among others.

(i) All employers, including the Government, the Municipality, the Bombay Port Trust, the Railway and Shipping Companies, the managements of mills and factories, etc. should immediately determine to make their employees literate within a definite time limit, say 2 to 5 years according to the number of employees.

(ii) They should make it known to their respective employees that after this period the literacy qualification will be considered as essential for promotion to higher positions, confirmation, etc.

(iii) They should also announce that no illiterate person will be employed by them after the above period.

(iv) They should encourage their employees and give them the necessary facilities to attend the literacy classes opened by the Committee. If is possible in a number of cases to arrange the literacy classes for an hour or so during the working hours

(v) They should also afford accommodation, lighting facilities etc to the Committee to hold classes on the premisse of the bodies concerned.

(vi) They should bear the whole cost incurred by the Committee on those classes.

(vii) They should pay somethnig by way of an increment, a bonus or a reward to those employees who become literate and should give a higher start to new literate entrants.

(viii) I do feel that the Newspaper Press can and should render considerable assistance by opening their columns for collecting funds for this cause.

Will A. I. R. Explain?

The Chamber Music Society of Bombay gave 488th concert broadcast last week. Messrs. Kaufmann and Mehli Mehta, the pillars of this Society, appear regularly on the air, while poor Fayaz Khan, the greatest living exponent of Indian music seems to be in disgrace as far as the A. I. R. is concerned. For the last six months either he has boycotted the A. I. R. or vice versa. As far as the western music is concerned, I believe that no orchestra in India can do real justice to European composers. Fortunately fine gramophone record music conducted by Weingartner, Bruno Walter, Furtwaengler, Toscanini and Koussavetsky can satisfy the thirst of any music lover. But this is not the case with the Hindustani music. The existing gramophone records of our music are nothing short of caricature. The A. I. R. does not realise what a great loss India has to suffer by ignoring musicians like Fayaz Khan, Kesarabai Kerkar, Mustaq Hussein, Omkarnath Thakore, Hafeezali Khan and others.

Lately even Gangubai Hangal and Moghubai Kurdikar are gradually being ousted. A musician like Roshanara Begam is nowadays given 30 minutes, while Cine-Star A and Professor B are given one full hour. This craze for "new blood" is nothing but an excuse for third class programmes. The responsibility of this vandalism rests equally on the listeners because they rarely protest.

D. G. TENDULKAR.

THE VICTORIOUS FIVE

Red Army Leaders

Here are the five Red Army commanders who have crashed the German Eastern front. They are in the order of their Fronts, from north to south.

Mostly they are young men—sons of peasants, factory workers, railwaymen, of different races and temperaments, from the impetuous to the stolid—but all are tested to the full in this war, some in the last war against Germany and most in the civil war in their own country.

ROKOSSOVSKY

Marshal Constantine Rokossovsky commands southern attack on East Prussia. Is 47, looks like a poet of 42. Has frank blue eyes; stands full six feet.

Wounded in defence of Moscow begged Stalin to allow him to leave hospital to return to his unit. Is pictured during the action coolly lighting cigarettes amid hail of shell and mine fragments. Associated with Koniev in drive on Lublin in summer last year.

Drew the iron ring round Stalingrad that encircled von Paulus, checked German advance at Kursk, retook Orel. Served in ranks of Tsar's army in last war.

Described as "impetuous in offensive, tenacious and stubborn in defence.....one who acts with dazzling swiftness and decision." Draws quick strokes on his maps, seizes the telephone to shout his orders—if possible in the one word "Attack"!

ZHUKOV

Marshal Gregory Zhukov is 50. Commands the centre front, took Warsaw and is on the way to Berlin.

Broad-shouldered, with full, square and determined face, eyes set deep beneath prominent brow. A critic said of him: "He cannot think fast." Stalin replied: "But he never has to think twice!" Has been compared to a bank president, with a mind like filing system.

Expert in wheeled warfare, put his infantry into lorries and his guns on rubber tyres. Skilled in the science of transport and supply. Man of immense energy, who knows history of warfare from Hannibal to German methods in the Spanish civil war, which he studied closely.

Saviour of Moscow, successor to Timoshenko and Stalin's deputy C.-in-C. of all Soviet armies. Zhukov worked in a factory before being conscripted into Tsar's army, in which he served as private for three years. Emerged from the civil war as officer, fought against Japs in Manchuria, the first Soviet Commander to use armour in blitzkrieg fashion.

Given command of Moscow front when Nazis came within 30 miles of Russian capital, organised city's defence, then followed with counter-offensive which destroyed all German hopes of victory in Russia. Defence of Stalingrad and relief of Leningrad were again his planning.

KONIEV

Marshal Ivan Stepanovich Koniev, commander of the thrust into Silesia and captor of Cracow, is the 48-year old son of a Central Russian peasant family. Has served in all ranks of the Russian Army since he left a factory to volunteer in 1918.

He and his wife were partisan fighters in Siberia during the civil war. Has fighter-pilot son and a daughter student in the Soviet Air Force Academy.

Has been called "tank-mad," and is sometimes known as "The Tank," partly because of his passion for armour and partly because of his thickset, forceful heaviness. Learned German and English to read about tanks. Exponent of the method of taking cities by cutting off approach roads.

Fought against Japs, was one of Timoshenko's generals at start of war. Retook Kalinin, and after Stalingrad organised the new army which went into action along the Don in spring, 1943.

PETROV

General Ivan Fedorovich Petrov, fighting with Malinovsky in Czechoslovakia, is another of the Red Army's young generals. Brilliant engineer, once test pilot and chief of Russian Air Technical Institute. Dour, keen looking, cool-headed mountain fighter. Fought first in charge of North Caucasus front to win back Taman Peninsula, defended Sebastapol, and was last officer to leave it, escaping in May, 1942, by submarine. In 1943 recrossed the Kerch Strait to establish bridgeheads on eastern tip of Crimea.

Climbed the mountain approaches to Novorossisk, battled through Carpathian passes to threaten Hungary. Germans claimed his capture in the Smolensk fighting.

MALINOVSKY

Marshal Rodon Yakovlevich Malinovsky, Czechoslovakia front commander, is another workman's son, a Ukrainian Cossack, though born in Odessa. Is 45. One of few present-day Russian generals who fought alongside French, British and U.S. soldiers in last war. A Tsarist private, he was sent via Singapore and Suez to Western Front.

"I'll never forget the English," he says, "always shaving in their darkest days, though it may be the last thing they'll do. Pipes between their teeth even when the shirts have been shelled off their backs."

Has broad face, black hair brushed straight back, heavy blue eyes, thickset figure. His speech is brusque, his understanding of a situation swift. Fought Kolchak in the civil war.

One of the victors of Kharkov; stormed Dnepropetrovsk in 1943 after careful and subtle planning; took Nazi stronghold of Nikopol last February and broke into Odessa.

Pleasant story tells how he sickened of expert meteorologists from Moscow and packed them all off by plane to consult a 95-year old beekeeper of the Ukraine famous for his weather prophecies—who, alas, also proved wrong! "News Chronicle."

FOURTEEN-POINT PROGRAMME FOR STUDENTS

Agarwal Prepares Draft According To Mahatma's Instructions

WARDHAGANJ, Feb. 25.

In consultation with, and with the approval of Mahatma Gandhi Principal S. N. Agarwal has drawn up the following fourteen-point constructive programme for students:—

(1) Although students should zealously work for the achievement of Indian independence by peaceful and legitimate means, they should keep themselves aloof from party politics. They should study national problems scientifically and cultivate fearless, independent and constructive thinking.

(2) They should not dissipate their energies in mutual squabbles in connection with various students' organisations but should present a united front.

(3) They should take physical exercise regularly and build up a healthy body. Tea, smoking and cinemas should be avoided; daily diet should be balanced and nourishing.

(4) They should become habitual wearers of Khadi and spin regularly. They should use as far as possible only products of village industries and never go beyond Swadeshi goods.

(5) They should learn the national language, Hindustani in both styles and scripts with the ultimate result of the two styles Hindi and Urdu being fused into one, though the scripts may be two.

(6) They should start "study circles" for a deep and intensive study of various social, economic, educational and political problems facing the country and the world.

(7) They should establish village service leagues in their schools and colleges and after preliminary social and economic survey in neighbouring villages students should render concrete service to villagers by starting infant and adult general education (not merely literary) classes, Bhajan mandals, giving medical relief and planning sanitation work. Such work could be intensified during the summer vacation. In every case it should be sustained by carefully thought-out parties or groups during regulated periods.

(8) They should collect funds for relief of families of political prisoners. They should themselves contribute to such funds by regularly saving at least one anna per day.

(9) They should work for better Hindu-Muslim understanding and co-operation by being free from communal venom themselves.

(10) They should try to remove untouchability by employing Harijan servants at least in hostels. They should also regularly visit Harijan colonies and establish living contacts with them.

(11) They should cultivate love for their own tongue and agitate for the early introduction of the mother tongue as the medium of instruction in schools and colleges. They should use exclusively mother tongue for speaking and writing among and to persons knowing the same speech and Hindustani among and to persons of other provinces.

(12) They should try to remove various social evils like early marriage, 'purdah' and dowry systems by themselves setting examples in these matters.

(13) They should carefully study books like the Ramayana, Mahabharata, Geeta, Koran, Bible, Guru Granthsaheb and Zedavesta and cultivate religious tolerance.

(14) Above all they should build up their own moral character and be scrupulously clean in their behaviour towards the members of the other sex.—United Press.

7 TRANSPORTED FOR LIFE

41 Acquitted In Minapur Thana Raid Case

MUZAFFARPUR, Feb. 25: Seven persons have been transported for life under Section 121 of the Indian Penal Code for waging war against King-Emperor in what is known as the supplementary Minapur Thana Raid Case.

The case arose out of the disturbances in 1942 and it was alleged that a mob which raided the Minapur Police station looted the Thana properties, burning alive a Sub-Inspector of Police and injuring three constables posted there.

Fifty persons were put on trial in connection with the incident, two of them dying while the case was pending. Of the remaining 48 persons seven have been transported for life and 41 others acquitted.

The trial started on July 31 last before Mr. T. C. Puri, Additional Sessions Judge of Musaffarpur.—A. P.

RIOTS IN RUMANIA

Prime Minister's Narrow Escape

BUCHAREST, Feb. 24: The Rumanian Prime Minister, Gen. Radescu, broadcasting from Bucharest on Saturday night reported disturbances in Bucharest and other parts of Rumania.

He said shots were fired at the Royal Palace in Bucharest yesterday. He himself had a narrow escape when an attack was made on the Ministry of the Interior and a bullet passed through a window near his table. "A handful of people called by the population "those without God and nation," are trying to gain power by terror and innumerable criminal acts", Gen. Radescu declared.

CAUSE OF RIOTS

MOSCOW, Feb. 25: Moscow radio today attributed the disturbances in Rumania yesterday to "provocations of Rumanian reactionaries." Demonstrations it said were organised by the National Democratic Front and directed against Pro-Fascist elements in the State administration.

Army and Police units fired on a crowd but "at the request of the Allied Control Commission the shooting of demonstrators was stopped."—Reuter.

STATION MASTER ACQUITTED

VIZAGAPATAM, Feb. 25.—The Additional First Class Magistrate, Visagapatam, acquitted Mr. V. M. Naidu, Railway Station Master, Alamanda (on the B. N. Rly.) who was charged with taking illegal gratification.—A.P.

"W. V. S. CALLING"

Lady Colville's Broadcast

The following is the text of the talk entitled "W. V. S. calling" broadcast by Lady Colville from the Bombay Station of All-India Radio on Sunday evening:—

I am very glad to have a chance of saying a word to women in Bombay Presidency. Many of you have come forward to help in the activities of the W.V.S.

I feel we in the Presidency owe a very great deal to the part-time voluntary workers who have been helping our men and women of the Forces both British and Indian.

So many of you have given willing hours of service organising work in canteens, and clubs, arranging hospitality for the Troops by having meals for them in your homes, helping with the packing of parcels for men who want to purchase and send gifts home, or having mending parties where they can have their darning done, also arranging concerts, picnics and social evenings.

I have followed closely all you have been doing, and am filled with admiration at the way in which you keep on at this work. Some of you have been at it now for years, I know with very little rest and in a trying climate.

Your members have been working along with the Red Cross and have organised Diversional Therapy Groups in Indian and British hospitals at a time when no Red Cross workers were available.

I can assure you this work is all a very important part of our team work to help our men and women who are serving in the Navy, Army and Air Force.

Another important activity of the W.V.S. is the care of war separated families who have many difficulties and troubles to contend with and who now come to the W.V.S. Office confident that help and sympathy will be given to them.

The Women's Voluntary Services Office serves as a rallying point and an agency for all types of voluntary war workers. Many branches are in existence, and we hope to have more.

In this Presidency we have over 15 hundred W.V.S. members engaged in all kinds of work for the Forces, but this number is not nearly enough, we urgently want more members to help with clubs, canteens, leave camps and convalescent homes for officers and men.

Women are doing splendid work in many fields in this war and our W.V.S. members must not fail to give all support to our fighting men.

So, to those women who are listening to me I would say, despite the many calls on your time and the difficulties of managing your homes in war time, remember what we owe to those men who have saved our homes for us, and do give still a little more of your time to help them and so bring us more quickly to the day of victory for which we long and pray.

A NEW GANDHIAN PUBLICATION

The Oxford University Press will be publishing shortly "The Mind of Mahatma Gandhi" (Cr. 8 vo. Pp. XVI + 192; Price Rs. 3) by R. K. Prabhu and U. R. Rao. This selection from Gandhiji's scattered writings is the fruit of a dozen years' work. Short extracts are grouped in such a way that the reader gets a clear idea of Gandhiji's philosophy and of his approach to such matters as Non-violence, Truth, Beauty, Brahmacharya, Swaraj, Fasting, Socialism and Communism, Industrialisation and Indo-British Relations.

LARGEST OF ITS KIND IN WORLD

India's Fighting Forces Of Over 2,500,000

NEW DELHI, Feb 25.

OVER 2,500,000 MEN AND WOMEN HAVE NOW ENROLLED IN INDIA'S FIGHTING FORCES, TOGETHER THEY FORM THE LARGEST VOLUNTEER BODY OF ITS KIND IN THE WORLD.

From every corner of India and Nepal come recruits for the various services—the R. I. N., the Army, I. A. F. and the W.A.C. (I). This vast territory has been divided into 14 areas which are administered by nearly 800 recruiting officers and more than 9,000 other workers.—A. P.

RAJPIPLA VILLAGE TO HAVE KASTURBA SANATORIUM

SURAT, Feb. 25.

Chaswad, a village in the Valia Taluka in the Rajpipla State, will soon have a Kasturba Gandhi Sanatorium attached to the village dispensary run by the Ranipara Seva Ashram of which Mr. Kalyanji V. Mehta and Shrimati Mithuben Petit, well-known Congress workers of Gujarat, are trustees.—U. P.

NEW JAP FIGHTER SHOT DOWN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25: The United States Navy revealed that a new type of Japanese fighter plane with greater speed than any other Japanese aircraft of its type has been shot down off the west coast of Formosa recently.—Reuter.

EDEN WELCOMES BIDAULT

LONDON, Feb. 25: The French Foreign Minister, M. George Bidault, arrived at a southern England airport today. He was met by the British Foreign Minister Mr. Anthony Eden and the French Ambassador in London, M. Massigli.—Reuter.

RY. MEN'S FEDERATION

Special Convention To Elect New President

From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Feb. 24.

The Railwaymen's Federations Executive, at its today's meeting, decided to convene a special Convention at Secunderabad in the middle of April to elect its President in place of Mr. S. C. Joshi, who had resigned to become Labour Commissioner. As already reported Sit. Giri is believed to be a favourite candidate for the presidentship.

LUCKNOW Feb. 25: Seven Congressmen and Communists who were arrested on the last Independence Day were released yesterday. U. P.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

..LONDON, Feb. 24: After "Model Dasher" considered the best ever distance Greyhound in Great Britain won the New Year Sprinters Stakes at Wembley over 700 yards comer F. Bithel was offered £10,000 for the champion but refused it...He said: "I may make that amount in my business but I can never have another dog like him."—Reuter.

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"Mr. Jinnah, in his message, expressed the opinion that Urdu was the only language fit to be the national language of India....."

—Press Report.

English, however, being the only language fit for a message like the above.

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Sind has done it. Even for the Muslim League it is a unique record. League M.L.A.'s, having decided to contribute their bit towards the achievement of a compromise between Sir Ghulam Hussain Hidayatullah and Mr. G. M. Syed hit upon a very practical method of bringing it out. On the eve of the Assembly they declared confidence in Sir Ghulam and balanced it on the budget declaring confidence in Mr. G. M. Syed. It happens as a result though that Sir Ghulam Husain will have to quit.

Which, of course, has annoyed the Premier who declared, "We in this House are teaching how to be treacherous" Now this is not only strong condemnation but an extremely tactless remark likely, in fact certain, to revive memories of Sir Ghulam Hussain's—er—er—strategies.

Nor we think should he have pronounced Sind as "not fit for reforms". For even though the Governor may accept his hint, His Excellency is required by Sec. 93 to rule through official Advisers.

But Sir Ghulam Husain deserves sympathy until he emerges next as—well whatever he emerges as.

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Returning to the Sind Muslim League M.L.A.'s Immediately after the Cabinet's defeat 11 of these M.L.A.'s met in an emergency Parliamentary Party Session and expelled Messrs. Syed and Gazdar from the Muslim League Party.

Further developments are not yet to hand but it is confidently expected by the Junior Colleague that the remaining League M.L.A.'s—17 or so—will meet in a similar emergency Parliamentary Party Session and expel Sir Ghulam Hussain and Mir Talpur from the Muslim League Party.

Whereafter what will happen only the Qaid-e-Azam knows. Even the widely imaginative Junior Colleague gives it up.

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"There is an enormous difference between the Germany of 1920 and that of 1945."

—Herr A. Hitler.

There is. Anyone can see it by comparing mens and glancing at the Yalta decisions.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Absence makes the picture postcards accumulate.

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Married men get a lot of wireless messages from their wives.

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Most men find it easier to take two steps backward than to take one forward.

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Every man can see where there is room for a lot of improvement in all other men.

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If gossips would stop to think occasionally their tongues would get a much-needed rest.

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Sometimes after a girl has fished for a man and landed him she doesn't know how to get him off the hook.

ONE-MAN SHOW OF PHOTOGRAPHS

International Record Of Mr. D. R. D. Wadia

A photographic show which promises to be outstanding among the year's exhibitions is the forthcoming one-man show of his work by that well-known pictorialist and amateur, Mr. D. R. D. Wadia, who has been exhibiting in India and abroad for the past 25 years and is internationally well-known for the excellence of his work. Quite a few of his exhibition activities outside India have been by invitation.

The work of this distinguished amateur photographer has been accepted and hung at more than 30 international salons. As early as 1932, he was invited to exhibit at the San Francisco International Salon, a distinction that is conferred only upon outstanding photographic artists of any country. Five years later he contributed to an exhibition organised by the "Oval Table," an exclusive American camera circle. In the same year Mr. Wadia won top honours among photographic amateurs in the British Empire by carrying off the First Prize of 10 guineas offered by "The Sketch", the London illustrated society paper, with his picture, "Tanya", a candid-camera study of a New York night club dancer. His work at the 1932 Paris Exhibition, received mention in "Les Artistes d'aujourd' hui". In 1934 "La Revue Moderne" published an appreciation. Other exhibitions at which Mr. Wadia's photographs have been favoured, by noticed are the London Salon, where he has been exhibiting since 1919, the Paris Salon of International Photography, the Leica Exhibition held in London, three others at Saragossa (Spain), Vienna, Cardiff ("World Masters"), Chicago, Toronto Cracow, Turin, etc., to name but a few.

Mr. Wadia's one-man show, due to open at the University Convocation Hall on March 8, 9 and 10, will be representative not only of his achievements as a photographer of international repute, but it will also reveal some clever photographs with the miniature camera, including a collection of intimate studies of Mahatma Gandhi during his recent convalescence at Juhu and at the prayer meetings at Birla House, Malabar Hill Bombay.

Indian's Munificence In Melbourne

MELBOURNE, Feb. 25: Mr. Ram Ratan Gupta a member of the Indian Industrialists Delegation gave £01 sterling to the Lord Mayor's appeal for war veterans' Homes.—Reuter.

SYLHET MAGISTRATE'S BAN ON TRI-COLOUR

District-wide Prohibition On Display Of Congress Flag In Public

SYLHET, February 23:—The District Magistrate has issued orders under D. I. R. prohibiting the display in public of the Congress Flag within the district of Sylhet.

Contravention of this order is punishable under D. I. R. 59(3).—A. P.

TRAGIC MOVE, SAYS J. J. SINGH

Plan To Send Sabha And League Delegations To U. S.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25: Mr. J. J. Singh, President of the India League of America, told Reuter today that the reported plan of Muslim League and Hindu Mahasabha representatives to come to the United States and present two viewpoints would be a "tragic move." He said: "Such a move would harm the cause of freedom. It would be playing into the hands of British propagandists in this country. The propaganda line of the British here is that it is differences between the Hindus and Muslims that are in the way of India's freedom and not British imperialism.

The presentation of communal views in America will weaken India's case and strengthen the British case.

"My countrymen must realise that India is a pawn in the game of world politics. India's fate and future is being decided in conferences like Teheran and Yalta, and not in New Delhi.

"India's case is very strong because India's right of men to be free. Let us not spoil it with narrow communal or party considerations."—Reuter.

Hindu Mahasabha And Supru Committee

JALPAIGURI, Feb. 23.

Mr. N. C. Chatterji, one of the vice-Presidents of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, contradicts the report of the Mahasabha's non-participation with the Sapru Conciliation Committee in an interview here with a representative of the Associated Press.

Mr. Chatterji says that neither the All-India Hindu Mahasabha nor its Working Committee has passed such a resolution. What Dr. S. P. Mookerjee pointed out at his recent Press Conference in Delhi was that the name given to the Committee was unfortunate.

Dr B. S. Moonjee has already prepared a memorandum to be sent to Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru which was being discussed by Hindu Mahasabha leaders, Mr. Chatterji adds.—A. P.

FULL AUTONOMY TO CULTURAL AREA

Dr. Abdul Latif's Plea For United India

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Feb. 25.—An appeal to the Rayalaseema Mahasabha leaders to devote themselves to the task of quickening the awakening among its people on the basis of education, was made by Dr. Syed Abdul Latif in his inaugural address "in absentia" to the fourth session of the Rayalaseema Mahasabha Conference held at Rajampet today. Dr. Latif advised the Conference not to raise the question of a separate province for the Telugu districts at present. He said: "When the war ends, and let us pray that it will end early, India will have its own constitution. That is the time for us to put our heads together and evolve something which will give every cultural area full autonomy within the union of United India."—A. P.

Wardha Talks On Constructive Programme

WARDHA Feb. 24

Mr. Shrikrishna Sinha, former Prime Minister of Bihar who came here yesterday to acquaint Mahatma Gandhi with the latest political situation in Bihar, will be leaving for Patna to-morrow.

Maulana Mohamed, President and Mr. Ranbirsingh, General Secretary of the Punjab Congress Assembly, arrived here to interview Mahatma Gandhi and acquaint him with the Punjab political situation. They had talks with Mr. Sinha on the Constructive programme, students' problem and the general political situation in the Punjab as well as the question of co-ordinating activities of the Congress workers of different provinces.—United Press.

Sikh Voice Against Partition Of India

LONDON (Saturday): Sikh opposition to the scheme for the division of India was vigorously stressed by Sirdar Sir Buta Singh who is now in London as one of the delegates to the Commonwealth Relations Conference.

In an interview today he asserted that India was a single political and geographical unit and Indians were one people. "All schemes for the partition of India are not only economically impractical and unsound but run counter to the march of history and progress" he said. The world today was a unity. With the age of nationalism ending and the age of internationalism slowly but surely taking shape, it was necessary for Indians to cast aside narrow provincial sectarian patriotism.

Sir Buta Singh said he found a feeling of real friendship towards India among other empire delegates including those from South Africa and full appreciation of India's war effort.—Reuter.

TANDON INDISPOSED

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 25: Mr. Purshottamdas Tandon, Speaker, U. P. Legislative Assembly, is still indisposed with cold and fever. He has cancelled his programme of going to Wardha to attend the Conference convened by Mahatma Gandhi to discuss the problem of a common national language. Mr. Tandon has sent a telegram to Sewagram expressing his inability to attend the conference. —A. P.

BALANCE SHEETS OF ARVIND, RAIPUR AND NUTAN MILLS

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 23

Meetings of Arvind, Raipur and Nutan mills of Kasturbhai Group were held to-day. The analysis of their balance sheets is as follows:—

Arvind Mill: Gross income Rs. 9,245,863, taxation including compulsory deposit Rs. 7,145,000; Depreciation Rs. 269,000; Net Profit Rs. 1,821,863; Reserve Fund 8 lakhs; Machinery renewal four lakhs; Dividend equalisation fund two and a half lakh rupees; Insurance reserve Rs. 30,000 and the remaining sum as interest. One preference share of four and a half per cent (fully paid) will be given per two ordinary shares. The balance sheet of Raipur Mill is as under: Gross income Rs. 4,558,854; taxation including deposit Rs. 4,175,000; Depreciation Rs. 207,000; Ordinary shares one and a half lakh rupees; Preference shares Rs. 22,500. The total dividend per ordinary share has been announced as Rs. 30 in which Rs. 15 is already given.

Nutan Mill: Balance sheet gross income Rs. 2,412,000; taxation Rs. 2,166,000; Depreciation Rs. 130,000. Ten Rs. dividend has been declared per ordinary shares.

Ahmedabad Labour Association To Demand Arbitration

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 24.

The efforts of conciliation between the Millowners' Association and the Labour Association on the question of bonus have failed. The Labour Association will now demand arbitration of the question. A. P.

TERMINAL TAX DEMAND?

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 24

It is reliably learnt that the Municipality has made a demand from Government for levying a terminal tax upon food grains that are coming in large quantities from outside villages through trains, for supplying people. It is stated that Government is considering to give a certain fixed sum as tax.

ARRESTED FOR PROFITEERING IN ICE

(From Our Correspondent).

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 25.

Mr. Ranchhodlal Gandhi, Proprietor of Wadilal Soda Fountain, and his servant have been arrested for taking profit more than 20 per cent upon ice. They were released on bail.

RUSH FOR CLOTH

Heavy rush is seen in cloth shops due to rumours of rationing. Figures of sale only for one day at one cloth store amounted to about Rs. 7,000.

JAPS SHELL INTERNEES AT POINT BLANK RANGE

Reiter's special correspondent, at Manila, writes:

After their liberation, British and Americans still in Santo Tomas, the internment camp hospital near Manila, were shelled by the Japanese at point blank range. This happened on February 18 and can now be disclosed.

The Japanese slammed away unhindered, scoring one direct hit after the other. The bombardment lasted almost six hours, shells bursting on the hospital every few minutes. Three thousand internees, still awaiting evacuation, stood by helplessly while their friends were killed and injured.

U. S. MARINES' NEW DRIVE ON MOTOYAMA

Flame-throwers Clean Out Japs

GUAM, Feb. 23: Admiral Nimitz's Communique reports that American marines have opened a new drive on Motoyama airfield No. 2.

The Communique said that flame-throwers were cleaning out the Japanese still clinging to the Suribachi area. Japanese swimmers, the Communique said, made a hopeless attempt last night to attack American forces on the western beaches from the rear. They were mopped up this morning.

SOUTH MANILA CLEARED OF JAPS

GEN. MACARTHUR'S HQS. MANILA, Feb. 25: Allied troops have reduced Japan's final positions in South Manila and completed the destruction of the garrison, it was officially announced.

More than 12,000 Japanese dead have already been counted in Manila. There are many more still to count. "Three thousand civilians, caught in the walled city and held there by this incorrigible enemy, were successfully released by our troops in the final onslaught.

They comprised many nationalities, the bulk being Filipinos. A number of Catholic priests and nuns were included.—Reuter.

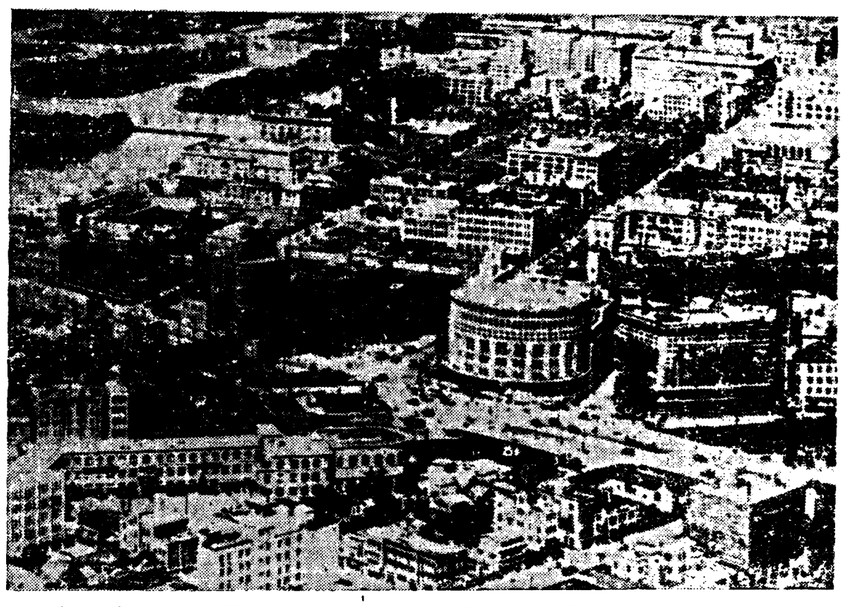
Section 144 In Allahabad

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 25.

An order under Section 144 Cr. P. C. in connection with the Holi and Barawafat festivals has been promulgated in the city with effect from today.

The order prohibits any person from taking out "chakras" without licence, throwing coloured water on any person who objects or who, the thrower knows, is likely to object to it and carrying of lathi, firearms, and other weapons.

The order will remain in force till March 1, 1945.—A. P.



An aerial view of Tokyo, which has become the target of American Superfortresses.

ALLEGED CONSPIRACY AGAINST NEPAL

Extradition Of Dr. Regmi Demanded From India

LUCKNOW Feb. 24.

A prayer that the Central Government should exercise its discretion in his favour and refuse the request of the Nepal Government for his extradition is contained in a lengthy written statement filed by Dr. Dilli Raman Regmi a research scholar of the Benares Hindu University when the hearing was resumed before Mr. Frank Rawat, a Lucknow Magistrate of the extradition case against Dr. Regmi and Mr. Surya Prasad Upadhyaya, Inspector of Schools Nepal under Sec. 3 (2) of the Indian Extradition Act, on the requisition of the Nepal Government.

Dr. Regmi was arrested about a year ago on the allegation that he was conspiring to overthrow the Nepal Government and has been under detention since then.

Mr. Surya Prasad Upadhyaya, who had come to India on the instructions of the Director of Public Instruction, Nepal Government to attend the All-India Educational Conference at Jaipur, was arrested on January 9, 1944, when he was on his way back to Nepal, since then he has been in detention under the D. I. R.

In his written statement Dr. Regmi gave a list of ten defence witnesses and the reason for summoning them. He also referred to the reports of doctors who had examined him and submitted that considering the state of his health it was quite risky to his life to transfer him to Nepal. He prayed that his statement be forwarded to the Central Government.—A. P.

THEY TREK SINGING ALONG ROADS OF GERMANY

Liberated Prisoners Of War On Their Way To Russia

LONDON, Feb. 24.

Indians from Calcutta and Bombay, Russians from Donbas and Smolensk, British, French, Poles and Czechs today march singing along the roads of Germany, cables 'Daily Mail' Correspondent from Moscow:

They are prisoners of war liberated by the advancing Red Army and the march is towards the East, towards Russia. Nine months and years behind barbed wire left them no patience to await trains—as soon as the camps were overrun they set out for the open road.—Reuter.

Rhineland To Be Detached From Berlin

PARIS, Feb. 23.

The outstanding political point in the talks which the Belgian foreign minister Swaak has been having in Paris is that he was able to tell the French Government that Belgium agrees with the French conception that the Rhineland must be detached politically and economically from the control of Berlin.—Reuter.

SURPASSING EVEN U. S.! Russian Planning Of Industrial Machine

NEW YORK: Russia is planning for an industrial machine surpassing even U.S.A. states the authoritative Wall Street Journal. Russia is sending groups of 200 to 300 technicians to U.S. to learn American Industrial methods at frequent intervals. The Soviet Government agencies have already signed contracts with an American Telephone and Telegraph Company for equipment to modernise the Russian Telephone system. Another transaction for an artificial rubber industry establishment in Russia is signed with Messrs. Dupont Company. India Press Service.

Pan-American Airways

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—The Pan-American Airways announce, they have placed an order for a fleet of fifteen giant six engined land based Clippers capable of carrying 204 passengers each—more than any other plane in the world. They will be able to operate at a height of 30,000 feet in a London-New York trip.

Gupta On Essential Unity In India

MELBOURNE, Feb. 15: Mr. Ram Ratan Gupta speaking here said: "Despite diversity of religion the essential cultural unity is India's real strength. India's war effort is one of the most glorious chapters in her history. Nature has destined India and Australia to play their important part in the development of standards of living in Asia. In India there is a great reservoir of goodwill for Australia."—Reuter.

U.S. PLANES BOMB TOKYO

GAUM, Feb. 25: Task Force planes of Fifth United States Fleet have renewed aerial assault on Tokyo, announces a 'communique' from Admiral Chester Nimitz.

Carrier aircraft attacked military, naval and air installations in and around Tokyo, the 'communique' said.

TOKYO SBOADCAST

NEW YORK, Feb. 25: American carrier based planes again raided Tokyo-Yokohama area at 7 a.m. on Sunday (Japanese time) according to a Tokyo radio announcement picked up here.

The Japanese broadcast said: "American planes are now carrying out an echelon attack. Our air forces are intercepting the enemy planes, at this moment, offering fierce counter-attacks.—Reuter.

TOKYO'S SECOND RAID

NEW YORK, Feb. 25: A Tokyo Radio message picked up in New York says Tokyo had a second raid today by twelve formations of Super-fortresses at 14.00 local time. The report said there was heavy snowfall at the time and visibility was "almost nil."

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25: It is officially announced that over 200 Super-fortresses today bombed industrial targets in the Tokyo area. The planes took off from the Mariana bases "for continuous task of striking targets in the industrially important Tokyo area."

A Twentieth Air Force Headquarter communique said that the assault represents the fulfilment of the recent Twentieth Bomber Command announcement that "the Super-fortress has reached the end of its development stage, has been thoroughly battle tested, and is entering a new phase of air battle against Japan."—Reuter.

RAID ON TOKYO

NEW YORK, Feb. 25: A Tokyo radio announcement picked up here says that a total of 1,600 American carrier-based planes raided the metropolitan Tokyo area on Sunday in waves of 200 and 250, attacking military installations. The raid was concentrated on Kanto district which embraces Tokyo and Yokohama.—Reuter.

CHINESE CAPTURE LIENHUI

Changyenpu Falls To Japanese

CHUNGKING, Feb. 24: The Japanese line of communication to a series of American air bases which recently fell into their hands has been cut by the recapture by the Chinese of Lienhui, 90 miles east of Hengyang on the Canton-Hankow Railway. To-day's Chinese High Command 'communique' records fighting on the other side of the railway near Paoching 63 miles west of Hengyang.

Seven miles east of Paoching the Japanese have captured Changyenpu.

HEAVIEST RAID ON SINGAPORE

LONDON Feb. 25: The Singapore radio reports the harbour area at Singapore was among the principal targets attacked in Saturday's raid on the city by "Super-Fortresses". "The attack which lasted for over ninety minutes was the heaviest yet made on the city, the announcer said.—Reuter.

More Facilities For Use Of Penicillin In Bombay

BOMBAY, Sunday.

With the extended facilities now made available to the public of Bombay by the addition of 17 assessors bringing the total to 26, to issue certificates on the suitability of cases for the administration of penicillin, wider use of this drug in cases where it has not hitherto been employed is foreshadowed by Bombay medical men.

Practical application of local penicillin-therapy in civilian practice is in treatment of burns, a doctor now administering this new drug, told an A.P.I. correspondent. Penicillin is now being increasingly used by opthalmic surgeons.

USE OF NEW DRUG

While cases of pneumonia, broncho-pneumonia and pleurisy have been effectively treated by administration of penicillin, meningitis is also stated to yield to this drug. In the treatment of septicaemia, particularly those due to gram positive cocci, penicillin has its most effective application. Septicaemia following delivery can be effectively treated, according to medical opinion, by a course of penicillin.—A.P.

Proportionate Representation

Indian Case Before Soulbury Commission

COLOMBO, Feb. 23.

The demand that no single community should be in a position to dominate over all other communities in Ceylon was made by the Indian Mercantile Chamber giving evidence before the Soulbury Commission. It also urged that all the minorities put together should have representation in the Government equal to that of the Majority community.

While no weightage was claimed by the Indian community, it should have representation having the same proportion to its population.

As regards safeguards for minorities, there should be a provision that the future legislature of Ceylon should not make any law to make British subjects of Indian Nationality liable to disabilities for restrictions to which the rest of the population is not liable. Further, if the executive system of Government is not to be retained, it would be necessary to devise a system of Government reflecting the same principle of balanced representation that is expected to obtain in the legislature.

The chamber estimated the Indian population in Ceylon at 900,000 claiming that it was over 1/7th of the population of the island.—A. P.

INDIAN WOMEN IN ITALY Entertain Front Line "Jawans"

ROME, Feb. 24:—For the first time in this war Indian women are visiting the front lines in Italy to entertain our troops, writes an Indian Army Observer. They are members of the Seventh Fauji Dilkush Sabha "F.D.S." being the Indian equivalent of the British E.N.S.A. The concert consisting of nine members, includes the Misses Maikal, Birmilla, Ameena Miss Sardar Akhtar of Lahore and the Misses Meena and Mahumada, sisters of Miss Zohra, the well-known radio singer.

In spite of the dangers of war and severe winter conditions in Italy, the concert party visits even the remotest Indian unit and brings to it, for a brief hour or two, the familiar plays, songs and dances of India. The women have already entertained thousands of troops—Punjabis, Sikhs, Pathans and others.

Wherever their caravan—captured from the Germans—stops, the women in their flashing saris receive a great welcome from the jawans. Luncheon and dinner tables are decorated with flowers which appear as if by magic, and the party dines off crockery borrowed from civilians.

The Italians also take a great interest in the Indian "signorina." At one town when the entertainers climbed out of their caravan they were immediately surrounded by a crowd of astonished Italian girls who were loud in praise of their beauty.

Three inches of snow carpeted the ground and a snowball fight was in progress. The Indian women immediately joined in and in a short time a pitched "battle" was in progress.

Mohammad's Message Of Unity And Brotherhood

"For the last 1,400 years the message of Mohammad has been a great force in world history. At once vitalizing and dynamic it has created the greatest unity in human history. Welding together hundreds of millions of men and women with diverse intellectual and social standards, binding together a whole series of tribes, races and nationalities reducing and crushing out of them all characteristic fossils with no remnants left of separate strata, it has united antagonistic elements into one common pattern of international culture and brotherhood." Thus observed Sir Azizul Haque, Commerce Member, Government of India, presiding over a mammoth meeting of the city Muslims in celebration of the birth anniversary of Prophet Mohammed in the compound of the Anjuman-i-Islam High School, Bori Bunder, on Sunday afternoon.

One hundred and thirty-six Muslim associations participated in the function which was organised by the Prophet Birthday Celebration Committee.

Speakers at the meeting eulogised the services rendered by the great Prophet to humanity in general.

ON COMMON FOOTING

Sir Azizul Haque further observed that the message of the Prophet had brought about a great social and political ideology and had laid down distinctive standards of legal, social, political, economic and moral conducts. It put them all on a common plane without distinction. Tribal, racial and national isolation was broken down, and the influence of the arid desert of Arabia was felt all over the world.

Proceeding, Sir Azizul said that Islam gave the simplest rules of guidance both for spiritual and material life. No incomprehensible dogmas, no penance for austerities, no mystical doctrines, no philosophical subtleties surrounded the faith of Mohammad. It outlined a simple programme of life according to the laws of nature and inculcated a complete co-ordination of the spiritual and material aspects of human life. Unfortunately, Islam, with its great humanising influence, had to meet with misunderstanding and opposition, and, circumstanced as they were today, they themselves often failed to get a true perspective of Islam, its role, its culture, its civilization and its influence. This applied mainly to Indian Muslims, who, deplored the speaker, were losing sight of their great inheritance and culture.

Continuing, Sir Azizul Haque refuted the charges that Islam was an iconoclastic religion and that it was spread by force.

Concluding he said that even if the land of Pakistan was without raw material and minerals they welcomed it because they believed that their faith was sufficient to keep them up in any land.

In this connection he said:—

"Recently we are bluntly told that we are not free to choose our own destiny. In the evolution of our destiny we are warned to desist from having a free choice, lest we may be strangled in the absence of coal, iron, mica and other minerals and materials. But it is easily forgotten that our Flag has no earthly emblem but the Crescent Moon. We are not baffled even if we are deprived of all the materials of the world, for we believe in life eternal."

The meeting began with a recitation from Quran. The opening ceremony in Urdu was performed by Moulana Hasarat Mohani Sahib. Moulana Gulam Farid Sahib Farooqi, Mulla Noorbhai Dadanwala, Dr. Abdul Hamied Kazi and others also addressed the meeting.

Soviet Copied Islam

BOMBAY, Sunday.

A huge procession organised by the Central Khilafat Committee in observance of the Holy Prophet day was taken through the Muslim localities this evening. Maulana Hasrat Mohani unfurling the Islamic Flag said that Islam was a living and dynamic religion which even today moulded the destinies of nations. Referring to the Soviet system of Government, the Maulana said that it was an imitation of the principles of Islam and the salvation of the world lay in adopting it.

Syed Replaces Hidayatullah As League Party Leader

Two Muslim Ministers Hobnobbing With Opposition: Ghulam Hussain's Move To Form All-Party Govt. With Moula Bux As Premier?

KARACHI, Feb. 25.

The Muslim League Party in the Sind Assembly met yesterday and passed a vote of confidence in the leadership of Mr. G. M. Syed whom they elected as Leader in place of Sir Ghulam Hussain Hidayatullah.

After yesterday's defeat the supporters of Sir Ghulam Hussain are leaving him one after another. Mir Ghulam Ali, Home Minister and Pir Illahi Bux, Education Minister, along with their groups are honnobing with Mr. Syed. There is possibility of both the groups joining themselves with Mr. Syed's party.

INSIDE STORY

The inside story of the circumstances leading to Sir Ghulam Hussain's sudden collapse is now available. It transpires Mr. Syed visited Sir Ghulam Hussain in the morning before the session and showed him the requisition signed by 15 members of the League Assembly Party expressing want of confidence in the Premier. Further, Mr. Syed, it is stated, told him that after the departure of the three members of the Committee of Action from Karachi he had not received the terms of settlement from him. Therefore, he was faced with the only alternative to join hands with the Opposition against him.

Soon after the Assembly met Mr. Syed made a statement on the floor of the House that he apprised the Premier of the League Party's no-confidence in him but he refused to take notice of it. Consequently Sir Ghulam Hussain ceased to represent the Muslim League organisation as such.

PREMIER'S COUNTER PLAN

Sir Ghulam Hussain, despaired of his own position, is reported to be attempting to foil Mr. Syed's plan to form a new League Ministry. He approached Khan Bahadur Moula Bux, brother of the late Mr. Allah Bux to break with Mr. Syed promising him personal support for forming a non-League Ministry with Khan Bahadur Moula Bux as Premier. So far the Khan Bahadur has not accepted this plan as the other Independent Muslims and the Hindu group feel this as an act of treachery of Mr. Syed's group.

SIND OPPOSITION MOBILISES

It is understood a joint meeting of the Hindu Independents and Muslim Opposition attended by Mr. G. M. Syed and his followers was held this evening to consider the latest Ministerial developments. Different viewpoints were expressed one of which was that the members should combine into one party and elect a leader and the names of Shaikh Abdul Majid and Mr. G. M. Syed were proposed.

The other view was to make representation to the Governor with 25 signatories and acquaint him with the full Opposition strength. The third view which is said found favour of majority of the meeting was to wait and watch further developments.

The meeting therefore adjourned.—A. P.

SYED'S VERSION

In an interview with regard to yesterday's events Mr. G. M. Syed told the United Press that he took his action in the interest of the Province. He was anxious to pursue the Administration.

When asked as to the question how many days are required to prove the Government's majority in the House, he said that he was confident that he had the support of majority members and that he would prove it on the floor of the House. He also said that the Governor had promised to call a session of the Assembly when the Budget was ready. It is understood that the Governor has arranged to avoid a Monday when the Budget Session opens.

It is understood that in view of the Governor's decision to call Assembly session, Mr. Syed has postponed his proposed visit to Delhi where he was to attend a meeting of the Muslim League Working Committee.

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"Most Disgraceful Episode"

The Associated Press adds: Khan Bahadur Haji Ghulam Ali, Home Minister and Pir Illahi Bux, Education Minister, in a joint statement give their version of what they call as the most disgraceful episode in the history of political organisation of the status of the Muslim League."

Narrating how their votes were snatched from them overnight, the Ministers said that their supporters have realised their mistake and will now be a party to "intrigues" of Mr. Syed who has hit the League Ministry below the belt. The Ministers claim to have a very clear majority not only in the League Assembly Party but in the House as well.

Concluding, they said Mr. Syed to be responsible for the estrangement of relations between the Muslim League and the members of the League Party in the Assembly.

Gazdar Explains

KARACHI, Feb. 25: Mr. M. H. Gazdar, Secretary of the Muslim League Assembly Party, has issued the following statement:

"We owe it to the Muslim nation to explain our attitude with regard to the developments on the floor of the Assembly on Saturday morning. The points of difference between the Ministry as at present composed and the Sind Provincial Muslim League are well-known to be restated here. When the members of the Committee of Action visited Sind all of us had earnestly hoped that they would succeed in bringing about a reconciliation between the warring elements in our Provincial politics.

"In response to the Quaid-e-Azam's appeal for unity and at the suggestion of the members of the committee of Action, Mr. G. M. Syed, the President of the Provincial Muslim League paid several visits to the Premier's house and did everything humanly possible and consistent with honour to reconcile the elements that were in revolt against the Premier's conduct and policy.—A. P. and U. P

Sydney Corder's Third Successive Victory

POONA, Feb. 25.

Sydney Corder (Poona Wheelers) won today for the third successive time the 100-kilometre race (about 62 miles) for the Western India Cycling Championship, with five miles to spare from K. B. Gaikwad (also of Poona Wheelers) who finished second. A. Menezes and F. Randeria finished third and fourth respectively.

The 25-mile handicap race held today was won by K. S. Khedkar with D. Y. Bawle, J. S. Kalbore and S. A. Irani finishing second, third and fourth respectively.

A two-mile cycle race for veterans (of over 40) was won by Thanawala and Shahane in the dead timing of ten minutes and thirty seconds.—A. P.

Nayudu Jubilee Match On A.I.R.

All-India Radio, Bombay, will broadcast a running commentary on C. K. Nayudu's Jubilee match at the Brabourne Stadium, Bombay, on February 26, 27, 28 and March 1, 1945, will be Mr. A. F. S. Talyarkhan. The timings and wavelengths are as follows:

11-5 a.m. to 1-15 p.m. on 48.73 metres; 215 p.m. to 4-15 p.m. on 48.73 metres; and 4-30 p.m. to 6-15 p.m. on 61.48 metres.

The usual programme will be on medium wave.

A DRAWN GAME

TRIVANDRUM, Feb. 23: The semi-finals of the All-India Football Tournament between W.I.A.A. Bombay, and T. V. S. Greens, Madura, ended in a draw, two goals each. Bombay opened the scoring early in the game. Madura equalled at half-time.—A.P.

AGA KHAN HOCKEY TOURNAMENT 1945.

THIS TOURNAMENT will commence on SATURDAY, 10th March on the Bombay Gymkhana ground. Entries will be received up to 6-00 P.M. on Saturday, 3rd March and the Draw will take place at 7-00 P.M. on Tuesday 6th March.

Entry forms can be obtained from the Bombay Gymkhana.

G. R. GARRATT.
Honorary Secretary.
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RESTORATION OF INDUSTRY IN SOVIET UKRAINE

Remarkable Results Of Co-operation Between Govt. And People: Wiping Off Traces Of Nazi Vandalism

(By M. V. Gaucharov.)

MOSCOW, Feb. 24.

The natural wealth of the Ukraine with Don Basin coal, Krivoirog iron ore and Nikopol manganese is a well-known fact. Coal and iron base situated in the Ukraine guarantees industrial development in the south west and the Centre of the Soviet Union. Before war the Ukraine had an enormous number of great plants, among them iron and steel machine-building and chemicals. Since the establishment of the Soviet power such giants as Dnieper power-plant, Kharkov tractor works, Zaporozhye combine works, and Kramatorsk heavy-machine building plant, have been put up.

Fascist barbarians left the scene of frightful destruction beind them in the Ukraine. They blew up factory buildings, flooded mines, and carried off equipment to Germany. Workers' settlements were wiped off the face of the earth. Of 150 machine-building plants, 14 were destroyed completely. Others were wrecked.

Assistance of Government and the support of all peoples of the Soviet Union enabled industry of the Ukraine to get quickly back on its feet. We may judge of the enormous money allotments made by Government for restoration of the Ukraine's national economy from the following two figures. After the civil war a total of 11,000 million roubles were invested in the entire economy of Soviet Union in five years. In 1944 alone 16,000 million were invested. Of this last sum a considerable part went for the restoration of Don Basin Southern iron and steel enterprises, and the Ukraine's transport.

Over 84 main and 470 small mines have been put into condition in Don Basin. Miners are putting out over 50,000 tons coal a day. To-day there are 11 blast-furnaces, 37 open-hearths, 25 rolling-mills and 55 coking-batteries, working.

Novokramatorsk machine-buildings giant is again producing.

RESTORING DNEPROGRE'S POWER PLANT.

Production is again under way at Kharkov tractor and Kharkov turbine-plants and dozens of other machine-building plants have been launched anew. Among them are Stilno Gorlovka and Torestsky mining-machine plants. Work is in full swing on the restoration of the Dneprogre's largest power plant in

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MARCO POLO

Travelling through the heart of Asia from Venice to Cathay, Polo was the first European to trace a route across the two continents. He was the first to bring tidings of the court at Peking and of the inequities of the Mongol Khan's laws. An indomitable zeal gave him the tireless traveller's energy to brave the many odds that beset him on his journeyings.

Polo received by Kubilai Khan

Cramped between the mudguard and the gutted roads, many an INDIA TYRE can tell a tale of journeys scarcely less gruelling than those of Marco Polo — searing tales of precarious rocky tracks and mile-on-mile pounding with under-inflated tubes. Yet even under these conditions, INDIA TYRES give very many thousand miles of excellent service.

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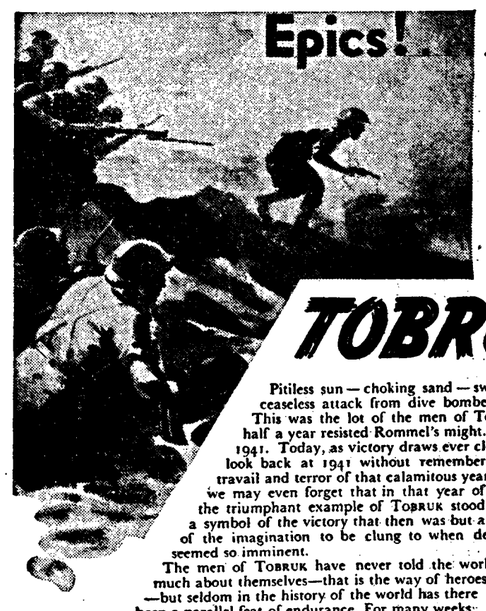

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POST-WAR CO-OPS'. DEVELOPMENT

India Govt. Sets Up Committee To Draw Up Plans

NEW DELHI, Feb. 25: The Government of India have set up a Committee to draw up a plan for the future development of the Co-operative movement, says a Press Communique.

The personnel of the Committee is as follows: Mr. R. G. Saraiya (Chairman), Rao Bahadur J. C. Ryan, Sir Madhavrao G. Deshpande, Mr. A. B N. Sinha, Mr. M. R. Bhide, Mr. S. S Hasan, Mr. S. M. Ikram, Diwan Bahadur Hiralal Kaji, the Director Resettlement, Directorate of Resettlement Headquarters, Sir Abdul Halim Ghuznavi and Mr. Sher Jang Khan (members).

Mr. Sher Jang Khan, Officer-in-Charge, Agricultural Credit Section Reserve Bank of India, Bombay, will act as Secretary, and the office of the Committee will be located at the Reserve Bank of India, Mint Road, Bombay.—A. P.

Furthering Inter-Communal Contact In City

A joint meeting of Congress, Student, and Muslim Majlis workers was held on Saturday night at the Muslim Majlis office to consider ways and means to develop greater inter-communal contacts. Mr. Adam Adil presided.

Mr. Pralhad Mehta of the All-India Students' Congress, said that mere political unity between the Congress and the League will not help much. What was required was the unbreakable unity between the Hindu and Muslim masses.

Mr. F M. Pinto of the Nationalist Christian Party opined that minorities would have nothing to fear in a free India, since everyone would be interested in maintaining peace and unity.

Mr. B. Gholab advised Muslim workers to join the labour movement.

Mr. N. B. Parulekar observed that all religions taught unity and that everyone should strive to achieve unity.

Mr. Ahmed Jamil and Mr. Mohomed Yusuf exhorted Muslims to work for unity and independence of India.

Mr. Adam Adil hoped that Muslims would join the Majlis in larger numbers, since Majlis stands for economic betterment of the Muslims in the real sense of the term.

£10,000 OFFER FOR DOG REFUSED

LONDON, Feb. 24: After "Model Dasher" considered the best ever distance Greyhound in Great Britain, won the New Year Stayers Stakes at Wembley over 700 yards owner F. Bithel was offered £10,000 for the champion but refused it. He said: "I may make that amount in my business but I can never have another dog like him".—Reuter.

FORTY VILLAGERS ARRESTED

RAWALPINDI, Feb. 25: Forty villagers of Usmankhattar and other adjoining villages were arrested by the police for alleged assault on a Sub-Inspector of the Civil Supplies Department.—A. P.

MESSAGE TO MANUFACTURERS

The Hoarding and Profiteering Prevention Ordinance has been amended to provide against the inflation of costs of production. Hereafter only that price of the component parts or raw materials, as conforms to the provisions of the Ordinance, will be taken into account in determining the costs of production of a finished article.

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Orissa In Economic Distress Cries For Relief

BISWANATH DAS CONDEMNS GOVT. RESTRICTIONS ON WORKERS

CUTTACK, Feb. 24.

Mr. Biswanath Das, ex-Premier of Orissa, in a statement reiterates the picture he drew up regarding the distress in Orissa and appeals to the Government to see for themselves some of the affected districts. He says that the reply given at the last Press Conference is the Government spokesman that they "will enquire" does not take the country anywhere, nor does it alleviate the sufferings of the poor and the helpless.

"To cite a few instances, there are certain areas in the Ganjam district where people have no utensils or plates in which to eat what little food they get. There are poor families who are not able to come out of their houses for want of cloth. Government instead of providing such people with charkas, had, by their acts, indirectly prevented the use of this article of activity since 1942.

As regards the political prisoners, Mr. Das says that no allowance is given to families of M.L.A. security prisoners on the plea of their getting salaries. Their salaries have been stopped since July 1944, yet Government have not been fair in not disposing of their cases soon to the great distress of their families. The fact that no winter clothes were supplied to the political prisoners in Sambalpur Jail is very distressing, in view of the fact that Sambalpur faces severe cold in winter.

Mr. Das holds the view that the use of the Defence of India Rules in 1945, restraining the movement of some reputed workers when the country needs their services, is wholly unjustifiable, when war conditions have very much changed and the gloomy conditions of 1942 no longer exist.—A. P.

BOMBAY SUBURBAN NOTES

(From Our Correspondent)

VILE PARLE, Feb. 24.

Bandra has at last made up its mind to have fresh civic elections this year. Established in 1876, it is the oldest civic body in the Bombay Suburban District. Its constitution is governed by the Bombay Municipal Boroughs Act of 1925. A few years ago, the municipal limits were extended to cover the areas of Khar and Santa Cruz. Out of the total of 40 seats spread over nine wards, six seats for Mahomedans, two for Harijans and one for women are reserved while 31 seats are in the general electorate. According to the preliminary electoral roll of voters which was published on the 10th instant, there are 15,5000 voters out of a total population of 55,000. A fortnight's time has been allotted for additions, errors and other objections after which a new revised roll will be published for general information. The roll as at present prepared is full of defects and needs revision in several particulars. Its chief defect lies in the fact that the municipal authorities according to the strict letter of the law have copied the names of those entitled to vote at the Bombay Legislative Assembly elections the electoral roll for which has not been revised for several years past.

The Suburban Voters' Association which has been recently formed to safeguard the interests of the general population of the district will do well to apply its mind to the revision of the roll with a view to remove its defects and shortcomings.

DRAINAGE SCHEME FOR ANDHERI

The Parle-Andheri Municipality have been considering for some years past the question of providing an underground drainage for the municipal area to make it a cleaner and healthier town and for this purpose had approached government more than once to prepare a scheme. Government through their Consulting Surveyor carried out a cursory survey of the area, but no definite scheme was prepared as the municipality was not prepared to pay the necessary charges for framing a scheme. The project has now been revived by the municipality which at its meeting held recently authorised Mr. C. D. Barfivala, Chairman of the Standing Committee, to interview the proper authorities in Poona and persuade them to undertake a survey of the whole area and prepare a scheme. He has also been authorised to negotiate with Government with a view to get a reduction in their charges. If the scheme materialises, the Municipality will have to borrow the required finances either from Government or in the open market with the permission of Government. This will make an enormously large saving in their conservancy charges. It is hoped that Mr. Barfivala's efforts will be crowned with success and Government will come to the assistance of the municipality.

Indian V. C.'s To Appear In Documentaries

LONDON, Feb. 23: 'India Strikes' is the title of a full-length documentary film which Butchers film studios have now under production.

Produced by Bishu Sen and edited by Karl Helk the film will tell the story of India's 2,000,000 strong volunteer army and the part it has played on all major battle fronts.

Indian V. C.'s will be starred. Much of the background has already been shot in the Western Desert and Burma. The film is expected to be distributed by the end of April.

All profits are being devoted to the Indian Red Cross and Comforts Funds.—Globe.

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Soviet Union, which was blown up by the Nazis. The first 10,000 cubic metres of high quality concrete have already been poured into the dam.

Enterprise all over the Soviet Union are participating in the restoration of the Ukraine's industry. Orjonikidze heavy-machine building plant in the Urals built, complex parts for large steam turbines of Zuyevka hydro-electric plant, and its third Turbine with a capacity of 50,000 Kilowatts was recently set in operation. Job was done not only by power workers of Don Basin, but by workers of Kharkov turbo-generator plant. Urals machine-building plant and specialists for restoration are planning offices in Moscow as well.

Turbo-Generator of 25,000 Kilowatts capacity has been mounted at Makeyevka iron-works. The generator was built by "electrosila" plant in Leningrad during the siege. Workers are displaying ingenuity and resourcefulness in employing local materials, thereby speeding up the work of restoration. Restoration of enterprises wrecked by Nazis has been taken up by the whole populace. Farmers in 22 districts volunteered to work for seven days for the Dneproges powerplant. Farmers of the Vasilievsky District have already contributed over 7,000 man-days. Both the Government and people are doing everything in their power to restore the industries in the Ukraine. Much already has been done but there is still much left to be done which will demand enormous expenditure of materials and labour.

SHORTAGE OF OPTICAL GOODS

Opticians Confer In The City

About a hundred opticians from all over the country were present at the conference of the All-India Opticians Association which came off at the premises of the Kama Oriental Institute, Fort, on Saturday afternoon. Mr. H. N. Gazdar, President of the Association was in the chair.

The report of the Association which was read at the Conference revealed that 22 opticians' associations from all over the country with a total strength of 648 members are affiliated to the All-India Association which has its office in Delhi.

The main grievance of the opticians as was evident from the report as well as the speeches delivered at the Conference was the shortage of spectacle goods particularly of frames.

Another complaint referred to at the Conference was that in fixing the prices of optical goods including goggles opticians were not consulted by the Government.

Mr. H N. Gazdar in the course of his presidential remarks referred to the good work done by the Association in bringing to Government's notice the general disabilities of their profession. He hoped that in the near future the country might be in a position to produce optical goods of its own, so that there might be no shortage.

Mr. Himatlal H. Kandhar welcomed the delegates.

The Conference continues today.

Increase In Municipal Auditor's Salary

The Bombay Government proposes to amend the City of Bombay Municipal Act, 1888, to enable the Corporation to raise the salary of the Municipal Chief Auditor, which is fixed at a maximum of Rs. 1,000 in the Act. The Government considers this salary inadequate, having regard to the volume and importance of the work which he is now required to perform and, in accordance with a resolution passed by the Corporation last year, proposing to fix the salary at Rs. 1,200 a month, minimum, and Rs. 1,500 a month maximum.

The draft of an amending Bill for this purpose has been published in the "Bombay Government Gazette." Objections or suggestions in respect of it should be submitted to the Secretary of the General Department, Government of Bombay, by April 1.

New Cloth Trade Regulation Order

The Bombay Cotton Cloth Trade Regulation Order, 1945, will come into force in Bombay City, Bombay Suburban District and Ahmedabad City and Suburbs from March 1. A notification bringing the Order into force in these areas has been published in the "Bombay Government Gazette." Part I (Extraordinary) dated February 23.

The Order will be extended to other parts of the Province in due course. Meanwhile, the existing Bombay Cotton Cloth Dealers' Licensing Order, 1943, will continue to operate in those parts. Licences already issued under that Order will continue to be valid.

In Bombay City and Ahmedabad, licences already granted under the old Licensing Order will remain in force in the case of persons who apply for licences under the new Order within one month after March 1 until a licence under the new Order is issued or the applicant is informed that a licence cannot be granted to him. Dealers should, therefore, apply in good time for licences on the prescribed application form, which can be obtained from the office of the Provincial Textile Controller in Bombay City and from the office of the Assistant Textile Controller at Ahmedabad.

VAMAN JOSHI'S PORTRAIT UNVEILED

SANGLI, Feb. 23.

An oil portrait of the late Prof. Vaman Malhar Joshi of the Indian Women's University of Poona, was unveiled in the Wellingdon College, Sangli, by Mr. V. S. Khandekar, well-known Marathi author, in the presence of a large gathering of students and professors.—A. P.

REPATRIATION OF DISPLACED PERSONS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24: Approximately 450 "Assembly Center Teams", averaging 10 persons each, are being trained by U.N.R.R.A. to take over the tremendous problem of repatriation of displaced persons in Europe upon the collapse of Germany, M. Frederick Hoehler, Director U. N. R. R. A., Displayed Persons Division, stated yesterday.—Reuter.

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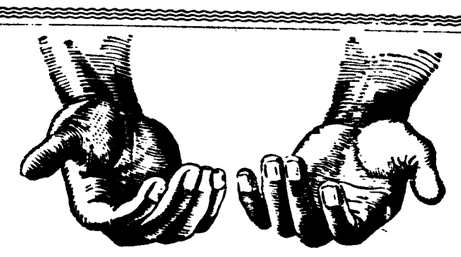

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Ismail Hasan Ali and Bhagal Bhageshwari have been fined Rs. 200 and Rs. 75 respectively for profiteering in cocoanut oil and "pohas."

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FUEHRER PROPHESIES VICTORY OF REICH

Hitler's Tirade Against Jewish Bolshevists

LONDON, Feb. 24: The German News Agency said that an address from Hitler was read at a meeting of Nazi old party comrades in Munich to-day.

The meeting celebrated the 25th anniversary of the formation of the Party's programme.

Hitler said: "My sense of duty and work prevents me from leaving the headquarters even for a moment".—

"There is enormous difference between the Germany of 1920 and that of 1945. Then there was a completely paralysed nation: to-day there is a fanatically resisting people. Then there was a decayed order of society which had outlived itself; to-day there is an unshakable people's community which is in the process of building itself up. Had the Germany of that time possessed but a fraction of the power of resistance of the Germany of to-day it would never have collapsed.

"Again the fate of the German race is being decided. Who doubts to-day that the German people would have ever been in a position to face a crisis of this kind if the National Socialist revolution had not changed the structure of the German nation.

"Who can argue with fact that without National Socialism Germany would ever have sufficient material to defy this devilish coalition which is now threatening our existence. Only a bourgeois idiot can be of the opinion that the flood from the east could have been countered with diplomatic documents instead of by guns and planes".

"Some of our Eastern Provinces are today experiencing for themselves what Bolshevism stands for. The fate to which our women and children are being subjected there by the Jewish pest is the most gruesome anybody can ever imagine.

TIRADE AGAINST JEWISH BOLSHIES

"There can only be one watchword against Jewish Bolshevists and their western henchmen:—the most fanatical determination and the last ounce of strength which God grants people fighting for dear life. Those who waver must and will perish.

"Victory shall be ours today despite burgeois democratic States. National Socialist Germany will carry on this struggle until in the end—and that will be the case this year—a historic turning point comes. No power in the world will weaken our hearts.

"We have suffered so much that it only steels us to the fanatical resolve to hate our enemies a thousand times more and to regard them for what they are—destroyers of eternal culture and annihilators of humanity. Out of this hate the holy will is born to oppose these destroyers of our existence with all the strength God has given us and to crush them in the end. If the homeland continues to do its duty and even does still more, if the soldier at the front takes the valiant homeland as an example and stakes his life for his native land then the world will be shattered in its assault against

SURE OF GERMAN VICTORY

"If the front and the homeland are jointly determined to destroy those who renounce the law of self-preservation, those who act like cowards or those who sabotage the fight then they will save the nation. Then at the end of this struggle German victory must come and we will enjoy our proud good fortune.

"When this war comes to an end we shall put victory into the hands of the young generation.

HITLER'S TASK

"My own life has only the value which it possesses for the nation. I work unswervingly to re-establish and strengthen our front for defence and attack, to create weapons of proved as well as of novel design, to put them into action, to stiffen the spirit of our resistance and, if necessary also as in past, to eliminate all those pests who do not want to participate in the preservation of our nationhood or even oppose it.

"I have read in the last few days in British papers that our enemies intended to destroy my Berghof Hitler's home at Berchtesgaden). I am almost sorry that this has not already happened because whatever I call my own is worth no more than what belongs to my people. I shall be happy to carry with them, and to the last, every burden that others have to carry as far as is humanly possible.

CAN'T TOLERATE WEAKNESS

"The only thing that I could not bear would be a sign of weakness among my people. What makes me most happy and proud is the conviction that in its most dire distress the German people show the toughest side of their character. In these weeks and months, let every single German remember his obligation to give everything for our common survival and for the coming thousand of years. Whoever is suffering shall and must know that many Germans have lost even more.

After this war we must again raise the cultural standards of the nation in town and country. We must re-establish the spirit of the National Socialist community and, above all, we must never err from the road leading to the true peoples' State, which is above party strife and the division of classes, free of the snobbishness of a certain strata of society and permeated by the conviction that the eternal values of the nation are to be found among its best sons and daughters. They must be sought out without consideration of birth or origin and they must be educated and employed accordingly.

FUEHRER'S PROPHECY

"My party comrades, 25 years ago announced victory to our movement. Today, believing as firmly as ever in our people—I prophesy—in the end there will be a victory of the German Reich."

Hitler's address which was read for him was dated: HEAD QUARTERS, Feb. 24.

India Must Be Given Year's Notice Of Dominion Status

LONDON, Feb. 23.

"Sir Mohammad Zafrulla Khan, leader of the Indian delegation to the Chatham House Conference, has made a tremendous impression both inside and outside the Conference," said a prominent British delegate to the representative of the "United Press of India."

There is no doubt that the Conference attaches special interest to the views of the Indian delegation.

The "Manchester Guardian" describes the delegation "as a powerful combination of the Indian nationalist sentiment."

Sir Mohammad Zafrulla Khan has publicly stated that the British Government could not absolve itself by saying that the lack of an agreement among the Indians was the sole hindrance in India's path to freedom. He characterised this attitude as one of the defects and added: "India should be given a year's notice of Dominion Status in which she should prepare herself to take her own responsibilities."

This suggestion is hailed as "a very practical solution" by most of the responsible delegates from Canada, Australia and New Zealand.—United Press.

Lebanon & Syria To Declare War On Axis

BEIRUT, Feb. 25: It is believed Lebanon and Syria will declare war on Germany and Japan before the end of this month.

The Syrian Chamber is expected to adopt resolution to this effect on Monday when the President addresses the House.—Reuter.

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NEW DELHI, Feb. 24.

The negotiations between the Governments of India and the East African and Sudan Governments announced in the Government of India Press "communique" dated October 23, 1944, have now been finally concluded, says a Press "communique". The 1944-45 crops of East African and Sudan cottons suitable for consumption in India will be sold to India at Rs. 860 per candy Bombay Dock delivery, new mill terms for East African B. P. 52 and at corresponding prices for other varieties.—A. P.

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May	21.98
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LONDON EXCHANGES
LONDON, Feb. 24.

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London Silver, Gold Stock Exchange and Wheat closed today.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
LONDON, Feb. 23.

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Rupee Paper 3.1/2 p c	72-1/2
Consols 2-1/2 p c	53-1/16
Conversion Loan 3.1/2 p c 1961	105.5/8 ex-div
War Loan 3-1/2 p c	104-15/16
Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90	114-15/16
Victory Bonds 4 p c	113-3/8
Chartered Bank of I. A. & China	10-7/8
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Sind N. T.	450/475	510/525	+80 +76
Mughal	330/350	425/435	....

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES.
BOMBAY Feb. 24.
RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY OF INDIAN COTTON.

In full pressed Bales.	Yester-day.	This year.	Since 1st Sept. Last year
Khandesh	393	21,306	38,903
Central India	578	10,486	38,513
Barsi & Nagar	831	25,729	42,731
Hyderabad/ Gaorani	179	11,444	12,513
Berar	1,287	81,180	176,443
Central Provinces	2,661	18,451	24,280
Total Comras	5,929	168,596	3,23,883
Dholeras	.....	40,200	11,500
N.-W. Provinces	.....	200	101
Rajputana	33	786	.....
Sind Punjab	252	215,409	266,916
Broache	1,422	61,238	27,800
Ccompta and Dharwar	.....	29,326	12,523
Westerns- Northerns	.....	18,492	4,629
Cocoanada	.....	.....	.....
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	.....	4,199	702
American	.....	.....	.....
Soudan	.....	1	45,594
Egyptian (other than Soudan)	1,659	96,082	64,555
East African	.....	63,406	56,366
Comilla, Burma & other sorts		1,913	1,186
	9,227	700,000	845,668
Arr. by road to 22nd Feb.	.....	5,000	4,000

COTTON ROOM RATES.
BOMBAY, Feb. 24.

Jarilla Extra Spr-fine, 450, Sup. 440, Fine 440, F. Good. 435; 4 F. Fun/ American Extra Spr-fine 480, Sup. 475, Fine 470, F. Good. 465; L.S.S. Fun/ American Extra Spr-fine 532, Sup. 527, Fine. 212, F. Good. 517; 289F. Fun/ American Extra Spr-fine. 605, Sup. 600, Fine 595, F. Good 590; M. G. 4F. Std/ American Extra Spr-fine 480, Sup. 475, Fine. 470, F. Good. 465; M. G. N. T. Extra Spr-fine 532, Sup. 527, Fine. 522, F. Good. 517.

MONEY MARKET.
BOMBAY, Feb. 24.

LONDON: Banks buying 90 days/st 1/6 7/32 1 and 2 months, 1/6 1/4 3 to 6 months.

B. C. RATES: T T 1/5 15/16 D-D 1/5 15/16.

Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32.

Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 3/32.

LDN/NEW YORK:
Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4 D D Rs. 332 3/4.
Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs. 327 1/2.

LDN/MONTREAL:
Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D Rs. 302 1/2.
Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs. 295 3/4.

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ASSAM GOVERNMENT TREASURY BILLS

Tenders for Rs. One Crore of three months' Government of Assam Treasury Bills will be received at the offices of the Reserve Bank of India, Bombay and Calcutta, upto 11 a.m. on Monday the 5th March 1945.

2. Successful tenderers will be required to make payment and take up their bills on Thursday the 8th March 1945.

3. Other conditions are as usual.

HAPUR MARKET QUOTATIONS.
HAPUR, Feb. 24.

Wheat Control Dara 9/12 Arrivals 113 Mds Stock 495 Khattles entirely under Government Control Gram 8/2 Stock 41 Barley 6/12 Stock 151 Peas Khatti 5/10 Stock 130 Arhar 7/2 Stock 123 Maize 7/4 Bajra 8 Juar 6/10 Urad 13/14 Moong 10/14 Mustard Seed 12 Oil 36 Coke 8/2 Gor Chikna 8/14 Fatwa 9/1 Arrivals 4500 mds bullion active on reported bull Clique at Bombay and active trading Silver 128/6 Gold 73/1 Gowar Baisakh 7/1 Bardana 56/2 strong westerly winds affecting adversely.

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BOMBAY RACES

SPRING MEETING— 2ND DAY—TUESDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY, 1945.

NOTICE LAWN BADGES

Owing to limited accommodation in the Members' stand, the Committee have resolved that as from 27th January, 1945, Members be limited to the purchase of two Lawn Badges only for their guests for each Race day.

One per cent. Tote Commission will be donated to the Bombay War Gifts Fund from the racing public and the R.W.I.T.C. will contribute an equal amount from its funds.

All N.C.O's and men of H.M.'s and Allied Forces in uniform will be admitted to the 1st and 2nd enclosures at half price.

DAY TICKETS:

1st Enclosure	Gentlemen ..	Rs. 3-0-0
	Ladies ..	„ 2-0-0
2nd Enclosure		„ 1-4-0

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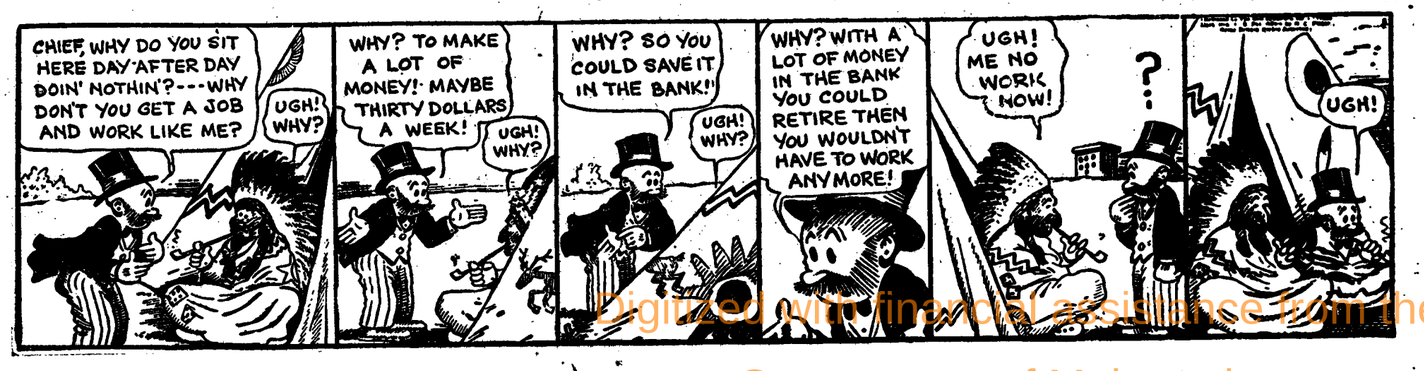
MUTT AND JEFF—So there you are! Jeff joins the original sit-down strikers By BUD FISHER


CHIEF, WHY DO YOU SIT HERE DAY AFTER DAY DOIN' NOTHIN'?---WHY DON'T YOU GET A JOB AND WORK LIKE ME?
UGH! WHY?
WHY? TO MAKE A LOT OF MONEY! MAYBE THIRTY DOLLARS A WEEK!
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UGH! WHY?
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Wanted experienced and expert moulders and fitters for the Engineering department of our mills running under a reputed Marwari Concern. Apply sharp Manager Shree Romesh Cotton Mills Ltd. Morvi (Kathiawar) 2232

Wanted experienced and qualified Salesmen for Grocery goods canteens and mistri for Sodawater Factory. Apply with testimonials stating qualifications, experience and lowest salary acceptable. Write to L. Narain Dass & Sons, Jalna (Deccan) N. S. Rly. 7409

Wanted an experienced Proof Reader on Salary of Rs. 65 plus dearness allowance of Rs. 16 and a Copy-holder on Salary of Rs. 50 plus dearness allowance of Rs. 12-8as. Minimum qualification matriculation. Apply with certificate to the Manager "Bombay Chronicle Fort Bombay."

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Hindu Young Lady. M.A., B.T., seeks part-time tuition in return for family accommodation, anywhere Bombay or Suburbs. Also prepared to pay part rent. Apply Box No. 7411. "Bombay Chronicle".

ACCOMMODATION WANTED

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

THE MECHANICAL AND TRANSPORT ENGINEER to Government B. P. Poona, requires persons, preferably natives of Bombay Province, and from agricultural families in the Deccan, as Trainees for posts with the Government of Bombay Agricultural Department—Tractor Section. Applicants for the posts of Supervisors and Mechanics should have high educational qualifications, and if possible, practical experience in agricultural, mechanical or electrical engineering. The pay of the posts is as follows:—

Supervisors	Rs. 200-10-300
Mechanics	Rs. 130-10-250
Clerks Tech' St.	Rs. 90-5|2-115
T|Drivers	Rs. 70-5-100
Lorry Drivers	Rs. 60-5|2-80

Plus dearness allowance to the sanctioned scale.

The posts are of a temporary nature on contract basis, (probable contract period from 3 to 5 years) and may ultimately be made permanent. The candidates will be required to train in all grades mentioned, so as to have a thorough knowledge of the work. Selected applicants will be required to present themselves for interview by the undersigned.

Lt.-Col. W. N. BATES,
Mechanical & Transport Engineer to Govt. Agricultural Department. B. P. Poona.
POONA. 2228

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE ASIAN ASSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE HAVING BEEN GIVEN of the loss of Policy numbered 61091 on the life of Mr. F. D. Barodawalla of Bombay, a duplicate will be issued unless objection is lodged with us within one month from this date.

J. N. HEREDIA,
General Manager,
The Asian Assurance Co., Ltd.,
Bombay. 2263

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS accompanied by copies of qualifications and testimonials are invited for the following temporary posts.

1. Accounts Clerks and Correspondence Clerks in the scale of Rs. 40-5-60 (EB)—5-100 (EB)—10-200, subject to a minimum starting salary of Rs. 55/-.
2. One Storekeeper at Worli, Bombay in the scale of Rs. 70-5-150 (EB)—10-200.
3. Computor Draftsman in the scale of Rs. 40-5-60 (EB)—5-100 (EB)—10-200 subject to a minimum starting salary of Rs. 55/-.

The initial pay will be fixed according to qualifications and previous experience. Minimum qualification—Matriculation.

M. C. RHODES,
Executive Engineer, Central P.W.D.,
Bombay Aviation Division,
Commerce House, Ballard Estate,
Bombay. 2262

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a life policy bearing No. 239821 for Rs. 10,000/- issued by the Hindustan Co-operative Insurance Society, Ltd., Bombay, in favour of my client Mahavirprasad Bindeshwariprasad has been either lost, stolen or mislaid. My client has therefore applied for the issue of a duplicate in lieu thereof.

Any person having any claim or right to or in respect of the said policy may intimate the same to the said Society within 14 days from the date hereof at its address at Commissariat Building Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay 1, failing which the said Original Policy will be treated null and void and the Society shall issue a duplicate Policy.

(Sd.).....
Advocate. 2259

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the post of GENERAL MANAGER for a large Banking concern. Salary proposed between Rs. 2,000 to Rs. 6,000 per month according to qualifications. Gentlemen with practical Banking and organising experience and possessing sound health need apply. Candidates may be required to be present for interview before the undersigned.

DEWAN,
Mayurbhanj State. 2176

NOTICE
UJJAIN SINGHAST FAIR BANNED

IN THE INTEREST of the intending pilgrims it is hereby announced that considering the shortage of foodstuffs and difficulties in transport due to wartime Gwalior Government has banned the holding of the Singhast Fair, Ujjain, the first and second phases of which were to take place from September to November 1944 and from March to June 1945 respectively. 161

EARN WHILE YOU LEARN BE TRAINED AS A QUALIFIED DRAUGHTSMAN OR SURVEYOR

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Staunton Road Poona.
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Madan House, Palan Rd., Bhusawal. 2010

DACCA UNIVERSITY

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the post of a Reader in Chemistry on a salary in the scale of Rs. 400-40/2-600 per month. Initial salary depending on qualifications. The appointment will be made for two years in the first instance. Applications together with copies of publications should reach the Registrar not later than the 31st March, 1945. Full particulars will be supplied on request. 2218

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Policy, bearing No. 17669 issued to Mr. Liao Goad Rozario Dias, at present residing at Deolali having been reported to be lost, a duplicate thereof will be issued by the Company unless objection is lodged with us within a month from the date of this notice.

MANAGER,
Western India Life Insurance Co., Ltd., Satara City. (2264)

NOTICE

THE WINTERTHUR SWISS LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, gives notice to all whom it may concern that it has been notified of the loss of following policies issued by the Company on the lives of persons mentioned hereunder in the explosion which occurred in Bombay on 14th April, 1944. It is hereby declared that at the end of one calendar month from this date new policies will be issued in place of the lost policies unless within the said period of one calendar month objection against the issue of such new policies are lodged with the Company at the Office of the Branch Managers. Messrs. VOLKART BROTHERS, Graham Road, Ballard Estate, Fort, Bombay.

Policy No.	On the life of
410695	Mr. Shamji Khetsi Bansali.
411593	
411842	Mr. Shivji Khimji Bhansali.
412137	Mr. Devji Shamji Bhanushali.
413103	
413109	Mr. Khimji Mooljee.
413861	Mr. Mohamed Haji Moosa Mokaria.
425312	Master Jitendra Jivanlal Gandhi.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the Public that Bai Monghibai widow of Bhagwandas Murchand of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell to our client the undermentioned property.

All persons having any claim, interest or demand whatsoever against in or upon the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, gift, inheritance, mortgage, lease, lien, charge, trusts, easements, maintenance, share possession, coparcenery rights or otherwise howsoever in the said property or any part thereof are hereby required to give notice thereof in writing to the undersigned at their office at 65 Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay within 14 days from the date hereof failing which the said sale will be completed without reference to any such claim, interest or demand howsoever and the same (if any) shall be deemed and treated as having been waived or abandoned.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece or parcel of land or ground in the village of Kirol Taluka Salsette District Thana in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra and containing by admeasurement 2304.68 square yards, forming a portion of the Plot bearing survey No. 69 or thereabouts and registered in the books of Khots as Inami land together with the tenements and building standing thereon and bounded as follows on or towards the East by the Main Road leading to Chimore on or towards the West by the vacant land of Jhaverbai widow of Premji Nathoo on or towards the North by the property and land of Chhotalal Karsondas Muljee and on or towards the South by the vacant land of Nagerdas N. Nanavatty.

Dated this 24th day of February, 1945.

MOHILE & PAREKH,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 2259

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY & INTESTATE JURISDICTION

Petition for Probate of the last Will and Testament of CHHOGAMAL NARAINDAS PARMANAND of Shikarpur (Sind), Lohana Hindu Inhabitant, a Merchant, who resided at Morarka Building, Vithoba Gully, Vithalwadi, outside the Fort in Bombay ... Deceased.

(1) KHIARAM KISHINDAS, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, Merchant, residing at Matka Gully, Vithalwadi, outside the Fort in Bombay, (2) SEVARAM DIPCHAND, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, Merchant, residing at Morarka Building, Vithoba Gully, Vithalwadi, outside the Fort in Bombay, (3) DHIRAJLAL CHUNILAL SHAH, of Bombay, Hindu, Secretary in the Victoria Mills, Ltd., and Jubilee Mills, Ltd., residing at Daya Mandir, Tamba Kanta, outside the Fort in Bombay, Executors appointed by the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased .. Petitioners.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Probate.

S. J. RAHIMTOOLA,
Prothonotary & Senior Master.
The 17th day of February, 1945.
Messrs. KANGA & CO.,
Petitioners' Attorneys. (2261)

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

WANTED IMMEDIATELY for a large Industrial Concern having factories all over India, qualified and experienced Mechanical Engineers, Mechanical Draughtsmen, Civil Engineers and Overseers.

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NOTICE
OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION V. J. T. I. BOMBAY

V. J. T. Institute,
Matunga, Bombay 19.

A SOCIAL GATHERING of the Old Boys of the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute, Bombay (Full Time Day Courses only) will be held on TUESDAY, the 27th February, 1945, at 7 P.M. at the Conference Pandal of the Second All-India Textile Conference, at the V. J. T. Institute, Matunga, Bombay. Mr. P. B. Advani ex-Director of Industries, Bombay, will be the Chief Guest of the Evening.

All past students are cordially invited to attend and make the unction a success.

NARAIN V. ULLAL,
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer. 7400

TATA CHEMICALS LIMITED

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the following posts at the Works of Tata Chemicals Limited in Mithapur, Kathiawar:

A. ANALYTICAL AND WORKS' CHEMISTS (Junior and Senior) in the undermentioned grades.

Candidates should be Graduates in Science of a recognised University with Chemistry as their principal subject.

1. B. Scs. in the grade of Rs. 100-10-150.
2. M.Scs. in the grade of Rs. 135-15-210.
3. B.Scs. (Tech.) starting salary Rs. 175.

The grade and initial salary of each selected candidate will be fixed according to his qualification and previous experience. Dearness allowance will be given in accordance with the scale in force at the Company's Works.

B. JUNIOR ENGINEERS.

The applicants should have a degree or diploma of a recognised University or Institution in Engineering, with practical experience. Grade Rs. 130-20-230.

C. DRAFTSMEN.

Should have specialised in machine drawing and must be quick and clean in work. Salary according to qualifications and practical experience.

D. FITTERS AND MECHANICS.

Must be experienced. Wage according to practical experience and training.

E. TESTERS.

Candidates should be Matriculates or First Year Science salary according to qualifications and experience.

Applications will be received upto 15th March, 1945, and should be sent to Tata Chemicals Limited, Bombay House, Bruce Street, Fort, Bombay. 2269

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Francis Xavier Coutinho Josephine Coutinho and Mary Eulalie Crassie Coutinho all three of Bombay Christian Inhabitants have contracted to sell the freehold land and building situate at Mahim Bazar Cross Road described in the schedule hereunder written to one of our clients. Any person or persons having or making any claim against the said property by way of sale mortgage, transfer, lease, exchange, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lien or otherwise howsoever is or are requested to make the same known in writing to us at our office at Lentin Chambers Dalal Street Fort within 14 days from the date hereof otherwise the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claim and the same if any, shall be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of freehold land or ground with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate lying and being at Mahim Bazar Cross Road in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay in the Island of Bombay containing by admeasurement 530.25 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 136 Cadastral Survey No. 1/759 Mahim Division and in the Books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under G Ward No. 5699(4) and Street No. 175C and bounded as follows:—that is to say on or towards the East by the property of Gangaram Dhaku Bujbai on or towards the West by Plot No. 20B on or towards the North by the property of J. B. Mody and J. B. Vachha Gandhi and on or towards the South by Mahim Bazar Cross Road.

Dated this 23rd day of January, 1945.

MATUBHAI JAMIETRAM & MADAN,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 2266

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. PRANJIVANDAS HARGOVANDAS GANDHI of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell the leasehold immovable property described in the schedule hereunder written to our clients free from all incumbrances.

ALL persons having any claims against or to the said leasehold property by way of inheritance, sale, gift, mortgage, lease, lien, partition, maintenance, easement, possession, assignment or otherwise howsoever are required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their undermentioned address within fourteen days from the date hereof; otherwise the sale will be completed without regard to such claims and the same, if any, will be considered to have been waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL THAT piece of land containing an area of 639 square yards or thereabouts situate on and being plot No. 36A of the West Chaupati Estate of the Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay (now vested in the Bombay Municipality) at Dadyseth Road in the City and Island and Registration Sub-district of Bombay bounded on the North by a 40 feet road on the East by the said Dadyseth Road on the South by plot No. 35 of the said Trustees now vested in the said Municipality and on the west by land of the said Trustees laid out as a service passage 15 feet in width which piece of land bears New Survey No. 7298(part) and Cadastral Survey No. 10380 Malabar and Cumballa Hill Division together with the building thereon all which said premises are assessed by the Bombay Municipality under D Ward No. 2661 (12) and Street No. 4A.

Dated this 22nd day of February, 1945.

MINOCHEHER, MANCHERSHAH HIRALAL & CO.,
Purchasers' Attorneys.
Address:
41-45, Medows Street,
Fort, Bombay. (2241)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. NAVNITLAL CHHOTALAL GHANDY of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant for self and on behalf of his minor son Sharadchandra has contracted with the consent of Alimahomed Kachra Porbunderwalla the undermentioned property. Any person having any claim against the said property is required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at 94, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any reference to such claim.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.

Piece of vacant freehold land being Plot No. 8 of the private Scheme known as Zaverbaug Estate Scheme sanctioned by the Bombay Municipality admeasuring about 423 sq. yds. bearing Cadastral Survey No. 2067 of Mahim Division being a portion of a large piece of land admeasuring about 13400 sq. yds. situate at Mahim Bazar Cross Road Extension of Lady Jamshedji Road, Mahim, bounded, on the East by the proposed private 40 ft. road, on the West by plot No. 1, on the North by the Mahim Bazar Cross Road Extension and on the South by Plot No. 7 of the Zaverbaug Estate Scheme.

Dated this 23rd day of February, 1945.

SAHIAR & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 2251

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that THE CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA, LTD., a Joint Stock Company, having their registered Office in Bombay, has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. All persons having any claim of any sort against the said property are requested to notify the same in writing to the undersigned within 14 days. In default the claim, if any, will be deemed to have been waived and sale completed.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of leasehold land or ground being plot No. 70 of the Sopari Baug Estate with the messuages, Tenements and buildings standing thereon situate, lying and being at SOPARI BAUG ROAD, PAREL, in the City of Bombay, admeasuring 767 square yards or thereabouts bearing New Survey No. 2582 and Cadastral Survey No. 136/74 of the Parel Sewri Division and bearing Municipal F Ward No. 568 (6) Street No. 157-161 and 22-30 SOPARI BAUG ROAD AND AIMAI MERWANJI STREET.

Dated this 24th day of February, 1945.

AMBUBHAI AND DIWANJI,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
Lentin Chambers,
Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay. 2260

LEGAL NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that our clients have contracted to purchase the undermentioned property from Messrs. RUSTAM GUSTASP IRANI and MEHERWAN GUSTASP IRANI, of Bombay Parsi Inhabitants. Any person having any claim whatsoever in respect of the said property is required to make the same known in writing to us at our Office at 79, Medows Street, Fort Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the purchase shall be completed without any regard to any such claim, and the same, if any, shall be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO:

ALL THAT piece of land together with the messuages and hereditaments thereon situated on the Colaba Reclamation in the Lower Colaba Division of A Ward in the City and Island and Sub-Registration District of Bombay, which piece of land has been computed to contain a total area of One thousand Four hundred and Thirty-three square yards or thereabouts and which is bounded on the North-East by Khatau Road, on the South-East by Wodehouse Road, on the South-West by Plot No. 30 and on the North-West by Plot No. 29 which said Piece of land is known as Plot No. 32 on the Colaba Reclamation and which said piece of land forms a portion of the lands vested in the Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay for the purposes and subject to the conditions in the said Act provided and which said premises are assessed by the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 9765 and Cadastral Survey No. 86 of Colaba Division and are assessed by the Municipality under formerly Ward No. 225 (34) but now Ward No. 1 (A) 225, (34-34A) Old Street No. 1200 but present Street 92 to 98 Wodehouse Road.

Dated, this 22nd day of February, 1945.

DUBASH & CO.,
Purchasers' Attorneys. 2247

AUCTION SALES

TO CONNOISSEURS OF WORKS OF ART

A portion of the well-known Gazdar collection comprising choice pieces of old Chinese porcelain, Satsuma, Imari and other porcelain, Indian Bronzes, Wood Work and Stone Sculptures, valuable Indian paintings, Old Black Wood carved furniture, also two rare old Jain family house temples beautifully carved, 2 old Chinese lacquered screens artistically inlaid in figures and emblems of Ivory Jade and other stones and similar other objects of Art.

SALE ON WEDNESDAY 7TH THURSDAY 8TH AND FRIDAY 9TH MARCH, 1945 AT 3 P. M. EACH DAY PRECISELY AT THE SALE ROOM OF THE AUCTIONEERS.

On view on and from 1st March 1945 from 11-30 A.M. to 5-30 P.M.

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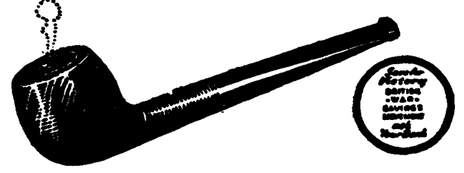

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